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Henry C. Frick has been asked to take chairmanship of United States Steel Corporation and is reported to have accepted.—Page 1.

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The seniors of the Allegheny Preparatory school held their annual dance last evening in the school gymnasium.—Page 6.

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FINANCIAL.

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All grains were lower in Chicago market.—Page 12.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN MAY HAVE A DISPUTE

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Seoul, dated December 20, says that when the Korean cabinet was reconstructed Yi was appointed minister of the treasury, in compliance with the wish of Russia, but on Japan protesting against the appointment, Yi boarded a Russian gunboat and has determined to remain on board, pending a clearance of the situation.

FARMERS COMBINE TO BE INCORPORATED

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—"The National Society of Equity of North America" will be incorporated here tomorrow after months of hard work. It is a plan to combine farm owners to secure better prices and other advantages.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN—Weedon Grossmith in "The Night of the Party," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

NEW GRAND—The Xmas Pantomime, "Little Red Riding Hood," 2 and 8 p. m.

BIJOU—"A Ragged Hero," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Imro Fox and Xmas vaudeville, 8 p. m.

MENTRE—"The Major and the Judge," musical comedy, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

ACADEMY—The Brigadier Burlesquers, 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—Marcel's pictures and a holiday vaudeville bill; continuous performance from 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE AND ART GALLERIES—Loan exhibition, open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived Dec. 23.

New York—Kroonland, from Antwerp; Trave, from Naples.

Queenstown—Oceanic, from New York; Noordland, from Philadelphia.

Hamburg—Deutschland, from New York.

New York—Amsterdam from Rotterdam.

Sailed Dec. 23.

New York—Nomadic, for Liverpool; Bordeaux, for Havre; Lombardia, for Genoa.

Naples—Calabria, for New York.

H. C. FRICK COKE COMPANY VOLUNTARILY ADDS $1,600,000 TO NEXT YEAR'S WAGES

Surprising Xmas Greeting This Morning for 20,000 Employes.

AVERAGE ADVANCE OF 8 PER CENT

Company Strengthens Its Lead in Paying Highest Wages to Coke Workers.

THE NEW SCALE IN DETAIL

A handsome and substantial Christmas gift awaits the 20,000 men of the H. C. Frick Coke Company when they report for work this morning. The management has voluntarily arranged to grant the men an average advance of 8 per cent in wages, dating from January 1. Notices of a new scale of wages will go up this morning at all of the plants in the Connellsville regions of the United States Steel Corporation operated under the management of the H. C. Frick Coke Company.

It means that the company will next year dispense in wages to its men $1,600,000 more than it has this year, adding just so much to the annual wage payment of $12,000,000. The announcement of the liberal concession of the company to its men will be made this morning in the following:

NOTICE.

On and after January 1, 1903, and until further notice, the following wages will be paid for labor by this company:

Mining and loading room and rib coal, $1 35 per 100 bushels.

Mining and loading heading coal, $1 50 per 100 bushels.

Mining and loading wet heading coal, $1 55 per 100 bushels.

Drawing coke, per 100-bushel charge, 77 cents.

All of the above measurements as at present.

Drivers and rope riders (shaft and slope) where full runs, $2 50. Drivers and rope riders (drift) where full runs, $2 40.

Cagers, where full runs, $2 50; track layers, blasters and timbermen (shaft and slope), per day, $2 50; track layers, blasters and timbermen (drift), per day, $2 40.

All labor not mentioned above, regularly employed in operating the plants, now receiving $2 and over per day, to be advanced 15 cents per day, and all less than $2 per day, 10 cents per day.

Leveling, per oven, 12½ cents; forking box and stock cars and forking open-top cars from the yard, all to be advanced 15 cents per day over present price.

Payments semi-monthly on same dates as heretofore.

H. C. FRICK COKE COMPANY.

Advance Reaches Thousands.

The advanced wages go to all the employes of the Frick company working in the plants of the original H. C. Frick Coke Company and the allied interests of the United States Steel Corporation, which the Frick company operates, including the American, Southwest and Continental Coke Companies. All these concerns were merged into the Frick company shortly after the United States Steel Corporation was launched.

Under this advanced wage, the Frick company continues to pay the highest wages of any concern in the United States employing this class of labor. Two years ago an advance of 12 per cent was granted the men. This came after a period of depression in prices during which the wages, which were high compared with those of other coking interests, were maintained.

A year ago there was anticipation that the wage readjustment would carry reductions, but in many years it has been the plan of the company to avoid such a move, even when circumstances seemed to call for it. Much of the company's coke produced this year was sold at low prices, the major portion of the output of the first half of the year going at $2 25 a ton at the ovens.

Policy Has Always Been Liberal.

Through its liberal policy with its men, the representatives of the United Mine Workers have been unable to regain their hold with the Frick Coke Company men, lost through ill-advised agitation years ago. This, regardless of the fact that the miners' organization had its inception in the Connellsville regions. President Thomas Lynch is constantly watching the relations of his company and the employes on the score of wages. He keeps in close touch with the trend of trade affairs bearing on these matters and his action, as in this instance and in years past when advances were announced, has always come as a surprise.

The move of the Frick company will have its effect with other interests engaged in coal mining. At the annual wage conference of the miners and operators of the interstate bituminous fields in Indianapolis, starting the last of next month, this will be an important factor. The miners have received wage advances amounting to 47 per cent since the strike of 1897 and this year they will contest for an advance equal to $1 a ton for pick mining over the 1¾-inch screen. The present rate is 80 cents.

The H. C. Frick Coke Company last year manufactured 9,079,142 tons of coke, the selling price of which was about $16,000,000. This year the output will figure up much heavier.

HOSPITALS GET TIDY CHRISTMAS GIFT

Seven hospitals of Pittsburgh and Allegheny will receive substantial Christmas presents this morning, in the shape of checks from the Hospital Saturday and Sunday association, the Sunday collection for the association in the churches having amounted to $2,700, $530 more than the entire year's collection in 1900.

The money was divided according to the number of charity patients each hospital cared for during the past year, as follows: West Penn, $725; Homeopathic, $725; Allegheny General, $525; Pittsburgh Hospital for Children, $250; South Side, $250; St. John's, $102 50, and Presbyterian, $112 50. Last year the Christmas distribution of the association was $1,600.

NEW HEAD FOR GOTHAM POLICE.

Gen. Francis Vinton Greene.

AMERICAN IS RUINED BY ITALIAN GUNBOAT

Ignorant of Blockade, He Is Seized, Treated Like a Criminal and His Property Confiscated.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 23.—Harsh measures are being adopted by the allies in their blockade of the Venezuelan coast. Foreign commerce is already being very seriously affected and American and foreign merchants are greatly exasperated by the course of the blockading warships. The treatment of the Red D line steamer Caracas, which arrived at La Guayra this morning, has aroused intense feeling among all foreign residents, including the Americans.

Lieut. Commander Diehl of the United States ship Marietta at 4 o'clock this afternoon endeavored to obtain from the commanders of the foreign warships at La Guayra an extension of a few hours to the time given the steamer Caracas to remain at her dock in order that she might finish unloading. His request was refused and he did not insist. The commanders of the blockading warships explained that they were acting on the orders of the British admiral and that the orders given to permit the Caracas to discharge more than the mail had been given to satisfy Commander Diehl. The Caracas consequently left her berth at La Guayra at 6 o'clock, when she had landed not more than two-thirds of her cargo. Tomorrow the steamer will cruise before La Guayra and take on passengers and mail, but on no account is she to enter the port. The Caracas will not be permitted to enter Puerto Cabello. She will be obliged to land the remainder of her cargo at Willemstad, Curaçoa.

American in Trouble.

In the case of one of the captured schooners Josefita, it was an American named Jones who suffered harm. He has been living at Guanta. Desiring to leave Venezuela, he on Friday chartered the Josefita, loaded her with all the provisions from his store, hides, cheese and hams, with the idea of selling at La Guayra. He was ignorant of any blockade. When in view of Macuto, near La Guayra, on Sunday, the Italian warship fired on his boat without giving warning, seized the vessel, searched him as if he was a criminal and landed him in La Guayra, refusing to hear any explanation. His schooner left yesterday for Trinidad. The man is ruined. This is not an isolated case. The Germans push the blockade at Puerto Cabello so far as not to allow the fishermen to fish in the bay.

The allies have advised the foreign consuls here that steamers reaching La Guayra before December 30 will be allowed to enter port and discharge their cargo during the day, but they will not be allowed to take cargo on board.

All mail steamers reaching here after December 30 will be boarded from the blockading squadron and neutral passengers and the mails will be sent ashore under a flag of truce. No exceptions to this ruling in the matter of nationality will be made.

A schooner which attempted to enter port at half past 9 o'clock tonight was captured.

EDWARD AND WILLIAM DIFFER ABOUT TERMS

Delay in Venezuelan Negotiations Attributed to Disagreement Between Allies.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.

It is believed here that the long delay in the arrival of the joint note of the coercive powers asking the president to arbitrate is due to the efforts of Great Britain to put the terms in such a way that the president will be able to accept.

A very remarkable conditions has come to pass which is not explained in any other way. As time passes and the proposition of the foreign governments still hangs fire an anomalous situation is developing in Washington. Everyone outside of the cabinet appears to be morally certain that the president will accept the post of arbitrator. Yet the details and terms under which the foreign governments desire arbitration were not in the possession of the administration up to a late hour this afternoon, and the only ground on which the delay of the arrival of the note can be explained is that the allies have not been in accord as to the terms to be imposed, and that Great Britain, not wishing to apply prohibitive limitations, is using her influence to modify the demands of Germany.

Cabinet Officials Opposed.

It is said that Secretary Hay, Secretary Root and Attorney General Knox have grave doubts as to the wisdom of the president serving as arbitrator, but they all agree that it would be better for the president to take the position than to have no arbitration.

The most important point upon which

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M'KEAN COUNTY WOMAN KILLED HER ASSAILANT

Man Who Attempted Assault Was Shot Through the Heart.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BRADFORD, PA., Dec. 23.—This afternoon John Ryan, aged 30, was almost instantly killed by a shot from a revolver in the hands of Mrs. Edward Burdick at Olivedale. Ryan was attempting to assault the woman during the absence of her husband.

Mrs. Burdick had been in fear of Ryan and placed a revolver on a chair near at hand. She secured the weapon unobserved by her assailant and shot him through the back. The bullet entered his heart and he died within a few minutes.

Coroner Hall impanelled a jury, which rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide. Ryan, who was employed as a laborer about the vicinity, had been drinking heavily prior to his attack on the woman. Mrs. Burdick is 22 years old.

FIRE IN HOSPITAL EVICTS CONSUMPTIVES

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Dec. 23.—The hospital of the Santa Fe-Pacific here was destroyed by fire tonight. Twenty-five patients, some of them very ill, were in the institution. Supt. Cutter believes that all were saved. There were several narrow escapes. The loss is not known.

BIGGAR JURY CANNOT AGREE UPON VERDICT

Long Silence Is Thus Interpreted by Actress and Her Friends.

ATTORNEYS MAKE FINAL ARGUMENTS

Another Trial Will Be Necessary in Case No Decision Is Reached This Time.

THE DEFENSE IS SATISFIED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

Freehold, N. J., Dec. 23.—After having been out since half past four the jury in the conspiracy case of Laura Biggar, Charles C. Hendrick and Samuel Stanton had failed to agree at midnight and was locked up. It seems probable that they will not concur on a verdict.

In that event it has been stated by the prosecution that the trio will be again tried with all possible dispatch. The jury will, however, not be discharged before tomorrow night.

Judge Heisley left town on the 5 o'clock train this afternoon, leaving instructions with the clerk of the court to receive the verdict at any time of day or night that it may be agreed upon by the jury, and then discharge the men who have for the last week been listening to some of the most astonishing evidence ever submitted in Monmouth county, but not before late tomorrow afternoon.

By the attorneys for the defense, disagreement will be looked upon almost in the light of a victory. "We had everything to contend against at the beginning," said Joseph N. Noonan, Miss Biggar's special counsel, tonight. "Public sentiment was almost unanimous against us and everyone knows what effect that is likely to have upon a jury. The public ought to be willing to believe our clients may be telling the truth, and in case of another trial to be at least impartial."

Miss Biggar Hopeful.

Miss Biggar, with Mrs. Hendricks, spent all this evening at the jail with Dr. Hendricks. As the hours passed and no verdict was announced, they became more and more cheerful, and at midnight were confident, they said, that in case of an agreement, it would be in their favor. Now that the strain of the trial is over, the actress appears to have recovered much of her former good spirits, and so far today Mrs. Hendricks has not fainted.

Today was taken up almost entirely in summing up and the charge to the jury. Miss Biggar and Dr. Hendricks being on the witness stand for only a few minutes to deny the charges of misconduct made against them by the witnesses. Yesterday Miss Biggar told of ineffectual efforts to locate and secure the presence of the three men whose names were linked with hers by Mollie Diskin, and Dr. Hendricks told the jury there was no truth in the story told by Josie Lane of his alleged intimacy with the actress.

For the prosecution Prosecutor Foster first addressed the jury, pointing out the main issues of the case as brought out against Miss Biggar and the others. Joseph N. Noonan and Aaron Johnston then made powerful pleas for their clients and Edmund Wilson closed the case against them.

Where Jury Disagree.

By the lawyers and others present Mr. Wilson's address was declared to be one of the most polished and powerful they ever had heard, and when he had finished the enthusiasm of men who knew him only by sight was so great that many of them rushed up to shake his hands in congratulation.

Both sides made a point on which it is probable the jury is divided, that is, all to be acquitted or convicted together. The defense has all along hoped that sympathy for Miss Biggar might save Hendricks and Stanton as well as herself, while the prosecution has feared that while the two men might be found guilty, the actress might be freed.

Judge Heisley in his charge pointed out that any two of the three might legally be found guilty if the jury believed the evidence would warrant it, and it is the opinion of the lawyers in the case tonight that it is on some such point as this that the jury is divided. If the jury should later bring in a verdict of guilty, Judge Heisley may sentence each of them to three years' imprisonment and a fine of $1,000, that being the extreme penalty in this case. Sentence, it is said, will, however, be deferred until January 1. Should the defendants be found guilty, a writ of error will be filed as soon as it can be made out, and the case will be taken to the highest courts for final adjudication. This would insure Miss Biggar's freedom for at least two years, it is declared, as her attorneys say she will be able to give any reasonable bail as she did when she submitted to arrest a few weeks ago.

For Hendricks and Stanton, however, there appears to be less probability that they will not have to spend their time in jail until the case is finally determined one way or the other.

NO CHRISTMAS TREE FOR THE ROOSEVELT CHILDREN.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

Washington, Dec. 23.—Christmas at the White House this year will be spent under happy circumstances. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt have never had a Christmas tree for their little ones. They have always taken an active part in the Sunday school celebration when at home in Gyster Bay, and received with hundreds of other children their gifts from the trees, joining in the Christmas carols with them. There will be no Christmas tree this year.

Mrs. Roosevelt began several weeks ago to send out gifts to friends at a distance, and when the proper time came to remember those nearer home, her little daughter Ethel helped to distribute those that were to go to Washington friends and relatives. Last Saturday she started out with the footman, loaded down with packages.

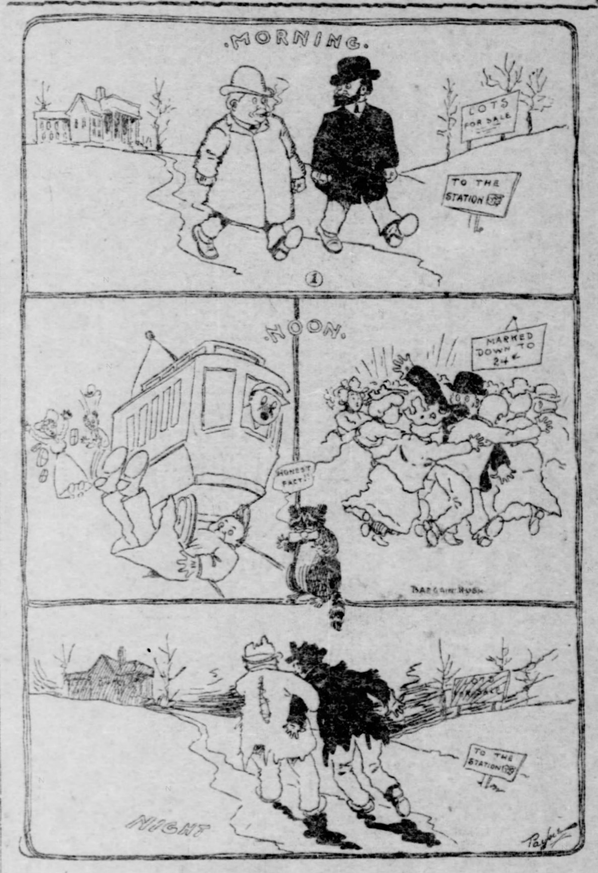
"Can you carry them all?" she asked of that functionary.

"Oh, yes, miss," he said reassuringly. "I can carry the whole house if you want me to."

In the library upstairs, which is now resplendent in its new finish of light buckram, the stockings will be hung by the chimney with care. The older children, who are all at home for the holidays, will receive their gifts in a more dignified manner.

WILLIAM B. HAYS IS NOMINATED BY THE CITIZENS FOR THE OFFICE OF RECORDER

SCENES IN THE HOLIDAY CRUSH



A Comparison in Strenuousness.

Effort to Secure Democratic Indorsement Has So Far Failed.

GUTHRIE FIGHTS AGAINST HAYS

Citizens Nominee Says He Will Remain in Contest to the Finish.

BIGELOW SAYS SAME THING

William B. Hays has been nominated by the Citizens party for recorder. This was done last night after the Democratic city executive committee had adopted a resolution declaring that the selection of Mr. Hays would not be satisfactory.

The Democratic conferees are scheduled to meet with the Citizens on Friday, but it is not probable that they will agree to indorse Hays. The question will then pass to the Democratic city convention to be held next Tuesday. Col. J. M. Guffey, George W. Guthrie and others will there attempt to prevent the nomination of Hays, while John F. Ennis, Joseph Howley and other Democrats will endeavor to make him the candidate of the Democracy.

When asked last night if he would continue as the candidate of the Citizens party regardless of whether the Democrats indorsed him, Hays replied:

"I am in this fight to the finish."

Thomas S. Bigelow, who has made Hays the candidate of the Citizens party, is just as positive about the nominee being kept in the field to the finish. "Mr. Hays will remain the candidate of the Citizens," said he, "despite the action of the Democrats."

Battle for Control.

The battle for control of the Democratic city convention is now on. Delegates will be elected at primaries to be held Saturday evening. The Democrats who are for and against Hays are putting up delegates and pulling wires to control the convention. John F. Ennis will look after the Hays end of the fight. With him are a number of Democrats who know how to make campaigns for delegates.

The chairman of the Democratic city committee, George W. Guthrie, will oppose every effort to indorse Hays. With him are many of the most prominent Democrats of the city. When told that Hays had been nominated by the Citizens, Mr. Guthrie said:

"I am not in favor of the nomination of Hays. I do not believe that there will be sufficient change of heart among the Democrats to make his indorsement possible, since the Democratic executive committee has gone on record against him. I will resist any attempt to capture the convention for him."

If Hays fails to secure the Democratic indorsement, there will, no doubt, be a three-cornered fight for recorder. The Democrats will name a members of their own party or a strong independent Republican. While there have been intimations that the Republicans might accept Hays as their candidate, it is more probable that they will have a man of their own. Under such conditions it would be difficult to pick the winner.

Parting of the Ways.

It was evident early yesterday that the Citizens and Democrats had about reached the parting of the ways. The Citizens leaders were insisting upon the nomination of Hays and the Democratic leaders were objecting. The Democratic city executive committee was called together early in the afternoon, Thirteen of the 15 members responded. Those present were, Gorge W. Guthrie, Col. J. M. Guffey, George H. Stengel, George S. Fleming, Charles Fisher, Joseph Dieterle, August Seaforth, S. J. Graham, John C. O'Donnell, J. M. Welsh, Louis Kimmell, Thomas B. Alcorn, Charles A. Pagan and W. J. Brennen. Later James A. Clark, one of the conferees, entered the meeting.

The meeting was in session over an hour and at its close Chairman Guthrie announced that a resolution had been adopted declaring that Hays would not be a satisfactory nominee. Messrs. Fleming, Pagan and O'Donnell are said to have voted against the resolution, but later agreed to make its adoption unanimous. The conferees were requested to present to the Citizens the names of W. B. Rogers, Dr. Cadwalader Evans and John F. Steel as suitable recordership timber.

The conferees went to the Citizens headquarters where the Citizens representatives were awaiting their coming. Mr. Brennen informed the Citizens of action of the Democratic committee the names were presented. He that the Citizens were determined to nominate Hays and that the name him at a meeting to the day. After fixing Fri as the next date of join meeting adjourned. another conference cannot see the neces

H. C. FRICK MAY BE THE CHAIRMAN

Asked to Succeed Judge Gary in the Steel Corporation.

SCHWAB WILL OUT

There is a likelihood that Henry C. Frick will again step into active participation in affairs of the iron and steel trade. Reports from both New York and Chicago yesterday were to the effect that former Judge Elbert H. Gary would relinquish his place as chairman of the executive committee of the United States Steel Corporation to spend a year abroad, and that Mr. Frick has consented to accept the place.

This would probably mean that President Charles M. Schwab would never again resume the office of president. Mr. Frick is in New York and in inside circles in Pittsburgh, it was stated last night that he had been considering an invitation to accept the executive committee chairmanship, but information of his acceptance is lacking. He declined a similar proffer a year ago, it is said.

In other quarters, closely in touch with affairs in the United States Steel Corporation, it is said that Mr. Schwab will return to his office unless ill-health prevents it. James Gayley, first vice president of the corporation, is regarded as a logical successor of Mr. Schwab in case of a change, but there have been negotiations looking to other changes, it is said, and the entire matter is regarded as unsettled.

DR. J. KENNEDY IRWIN IS VERY INDIGNANT

Says There Was No Foundation of Fact for Dragging His Name Into Biggar Case.

Dr. J. Kennedy Irwin, of No. 515 Penn avenue, one of the men whose name was brought into the Biggar case by Mary Diskin on Monday, was very angry over the matter yesterday. He denied that he had promised to go to Freehold to refute the charges against him, and said that they were not worthy of consideration.

"Laura Biggar was a patient of mine over a year ago," he said, "and I have not met her since. The only times I met her were when I made calls upon her in my professional capacity. I most emphatically deny and protest against the publication of charges that anything more than the relation of doctor and patient ever existed.

"I am at a loss to understand how my name came to be dragged into this case. It is a year and more since I saw Miss Biggar, and no testimony that I could give would be of any value in this conspiracy case. I was called up from Freehold yesterday and told about the dragging of my name into the case, and asked to come down and refute the charges, as they were injuring Miss Biggar's case. I replied that I had a patient who was almost at death's door and could not go. I certainly did not promise to go, and have no intention of doing so. As far as I am concerned, the insinuations of Mary Diskin are absolutely without foundation of any kind, and I do not propose to go all the way to Freehold to contradict such a witness."

PRESENT COAL BILL; BIG FAILURE RESULTS

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 23.—The William Trigg Shipbuilding Company of this city was placed in the hands of a receiver today, upon a bill filed by S. H. Hawes & Co., coal dealers, for $2,048. The amount of the claims and liens already filed is about $150,000.

WORLD'S SECOND GREATEST CHAIN

Standard Chain Co. of Pittsburgh Holds Mastery Over Rivals.

FOR MONSTER SHIPS

The Standard Chain Company of Pittsburgh has again bested two aspiring competitors in securing a contract for the second heaviest vessel chain equipment ever produced. Eli Attwood, president and general manager of the Lebanon Chain works, owned and operated by the Standard Chain Company, on special invitation by the New York Shipbuilding Company, spent last Monday at the company's shipyards at Camden, N. J., and witnessed the launching of the vessel Mississippi, the chain equipment for which had been furnished by the Lebanon chain works.

While there Mr. Atwood secured an order from the New York Shipbuilding Company for 600 fathoms of 3⅜-inch stud-link chain, required for vessels under construction, Nos. 5 and 6, which are to be used as fast mail and passenger steamers between New York and London.

These two vessels are 600 feet long, being the largest ever constructed in any yards along the Delaware river, and are the second largest attempted in this country, being 73 feet longer that the City of New York or City of Paris. The chains required for these two vessels are only one-sixteenth inch less in diameter of iron than that the Lebanon chain works are now making for the mammoth steamers being built for the trade in the Orient by the Eastern Shipbuilding Company at New London, Conn., while the length of the chain required will be the same.

Both the chains are subject to test and inspection of Lloyd's Register of British and foreign shipping, whose representative, William Gordon Minchin of London, England, is now at the Lebanon chain works making tests of the big chain now being wrought.

CARDINALS IN ROME GREETED BY THE POPE

ROME, Dec. 23.—All the cardinals in Rome gathered today to present the pope with their Christmas greetings. Cardinal Santo Stefano read the congratulatory address. The pope, referring evidently to the divorce bill, remarked: "What they want is the fall of Christian order and the reconstitution of the states on the basis of the pagan naturalism." The pope pleaded for a spread of Christian democracy.

FARMER SLID DOWN MOUNTAIN ON ICE

ALTOONA, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—James Reininger, an aged farmer residing at Blueknob, had a thrilling experience this morning and was badly hurt. He was hauling a load of coal and got off the sled at what is known as the "Rocks," said to be the highest point in the Alleghanies, to fix a singletree. He lost his footing and slid down the mountain on the crust of ice at almost lightning speed for half a mile.

He struck a tree with terrible force. When he regained consciousness he was lying on the brink of a high precipice, and had he gone over it he would surely have met instant death. He managed to reach a farm house half a mile away.

WILLIAM B. HAYS,

Who, Despite the Refusal of Democratic Conferees to Indorse Him, Was Last Night Nominated as the Citizens Party Candidate for City Recorder.

Citizens having given notice that Hays must be named. There will be a meeting of the Democratic executive committee at 11 o'clock this morning.

Hays Wanted Steel.

When Hays heard that the Democrats would propose John F. Steel, vice president of the Columbia National bank, he wanted to quit and have the banker named. Mr. Bigelow would not agree to the shift. Mr. Steel is a cousin of Mr. Bigelow.

The Citizens city committee met last night. Of the 38 members, Dr. Evans of the Twenty-second ward, and William Schempp of the Thirteenth ward, were the only absentees. Chairman Bigelow explained that the purpose of the session was to nominate a candidate for recorder. He did not tell what had been the outcome of the negotiation with the Democrats.

John A. Blair of the Twenty-first ward nominated Hays. L. S. Levin of the Fifth ward seconded the selection. C. S. Crawford of the Twentieth ward, nominated T. S. Bigelow, who declined to allow the use of his name, saying that his health would not permit him to become a candidate. W. J. Moore of the Fourteenth ward, renewed the nomination of Mr. Bigelow, who again declined. William McKelvey of the Eighth ward moved that Hays be unanimously nominated, and it was done. The meeting was then turned into a reception for the candidate.

DR. EVANS OBJECTS TO HAYS' SELECTION

Calls Upon Citizens of Pittsburgh to Hold a Town Meeting and Declare Themselves.

Dr. Cadwalader Evans, member of the Citizens city committee, scores the party for nominating William B. Hays for recorder, and calls upon the people of Pittsburgh to hold a town meeting to take action. His statement, issued last night, after the nomination of Hays, is in full as follows:

Some weeks ago I outlined the policy that should actuate the Citizens and Democratic parties as to fusion in the coming campaign. It is pertinent to inquire today if the action taken by either of the parties in this fusion movement has been such as the public had a right to expect. The conference upon fusion was begun and the Democrats agreed to one candidate, proposed by the Citizens. This candidate had to be withdrawn because the daily press forced him out of the field.

A second conference was held, and again the Citizens proposed a candidate, whose personality was no better than their first proposal. To this nomination the Democrats objected and proposed several names, both Democrats and Republicans, and expressed a willingness to indorse a Republican in whose standing there could be no reasonable objection.

To such proposal the Citizens would not agree with them. On the part of the Citizens there was a fixed determination to control the selection must be accepted by the Democrats or no choice was possible, and none was made. The next step taken by the Citizens is to ignore the Democrats altogether and proceed to nominate this Citizens party candidate to whom the Democrats objected in the conference.

Citizens Determined to Rule.

It is clearly shown by these proceedings that the Citizens party representatives were determined to rule. They had no intention of being fair or of considering the Democrats. Their attitude toward the Democrats is this: "Take what we offer or do what you like about it."

Such action shows a prearranged program in the Citizens party which makes fusion an impossibility, the Democrats being practically ordered off the Citizens party premises. Possibly the Citizens party may defy the Democrats and possibly not, with safety.

The attitude of the public is well known. It desired fusion upon a proper candidate. The failure to fuse rests upon one or the other of the two parties, and the public, after all, is the referee. It has the last say on the subject, and the temper of the public is such that there is not the least doubt that it will exercise this right and to the fullest extent.

The fusion movement was founded upon the principles that were to drive out of existence the arbitrary control of any one man or set of men with power to name candidates for office about whose fitness there was the least doubt. It seems to me that the action of the Citizens committee is in exact opposition to its principles, and being such, the leaders who are in control of it do such things as their action in make matters worse, between the rejection by the Democrats of the Citizens nominee and his actual nomination by the Citizens party, enough time had elapsed to afford the public a chance to express an opinion upon their proposed candidate.

Scores the Leaders.

The public press declared him to be an objectionable candidate and the people agreed. And yet, in the face of public opinion, thoroughly expressed, this nominee is forced through the Citizens party committee of 38. This sort of work is an indication that the Citizens party has in it all the elements that go to make up a first class ring, the boss system and the intolerable machine. It is also clear that the party has dropped its original ideas. This is not surprising, when one remembers that nearly every one of the committee of 38 has been for a life time trained in ring camps, including the new boss himself, and they had no fixed idea in politics, except that of the winning which they had been brought up. Or in other words, "You can not teach an old dog new tricks." "They return to wallow in their vomit."

Our action, however, will arouse public sentiment to a still higher pitch. It will teach the public another lesson and train them in the exercise of a discrimination in the use of the ballot. There will be no blind following of broken and discredited idols. On the contrary, there will be a lesson to administer and a rebuff that will be felt by these bold bandits in reform promises. Two parties have pretenses of reform served to hide the real intentions to despoil for this one to escape unpunished. The people are the ones who are to be made to suffer. They have a clear remedy in their hands; that is, to defeat these schemers for power and public office.

No weak and uncertain steps should be taken, but a sure and swift vengeance should overtake them. A concentration upon a candidate to whom all voters irrespective of party can rally is the remedy. A public meeting, precisely similar to that which originated the Citizens movement last year, should be held at once. The public should not have been so treated, but patient, persevering labor, will in the end defeat the schemers and there should be no relaxation of efforts because of this failure. The press will be a mighty factor, as it always has and always will be.

VIOLIN OUTFITS FOR CHRISTMAS

Hamilton's magnificent display of violin outfits is attracting a great deal of attention from music lovers generally. Prices range from $5 to $700. And one can readily understand why so many people visit this department, when it is known that many beautiful outfits, comprising violin, bow, case and rosin, are selling here for $5. The outfits at $15 are remarkable for their beauty and excellence. And those at $25 are especially appropriate for gift purposes. In fact, they are worthy of any musician. Those at $50 and $100 are gems of artistic workmanship, and many of them, no doubt, will increase in value within a few years from $200 to $500.

We know of persons who purchased violins here a few years ago, for which they paid from $25 to $50, and for which they have since refused $100 and more. This indicates how a violin is improved by the mellowing process of age.

It is hardly necessary to speak of the appropriateness of a violin as a Christmas gift for one who cares for violin music. And as the violin is called the king of instruments, it is held in great esteem in every home where music is appreciated.

The selection of cornets, mandolins and guitars is also very large and choice. Cornets, $8 and up. Guitars and mandolins $3 to $150. These you will do well to consider as Christmas gifts if you have musically inclined children. Any home containing several children may be made to vibrate with music the year round, by the parents calling at Hamilton's and making a selection of musical articles. The cost in every instance is so moderate as to appeal to everybody. And besides, easy terms of payment are arranged when desired.

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DIED.

BROOKS—On Monday, December 22, at her residence, corner Bonnet and Roberts, Crafton, MARY H., widow of D. Brooks.
Services this evening at 8 o'clock. Interment Thursday morning at Washington county, Pa.

[illegible]—On Tuesday, December 23, 1902, at noon, at St. Clemens, [illegible], NZ, of Pittsburgh.
Later.

CLAUDIA WELSH GOT OFF EASY

Was Fined for Keeping a Disorderly House and Then Allowed to Go.

PROTECTION POINTERS

No Effort Made to Hold a Notorious Breaker of the Law for Court—McAleese Shifts Responsibility.

Yesterday morning, when the cases against Claudia Welsh and the 16 visitors found in her notorious speakeasy at No. 440 Third avenue, which was fully exposed in The Gazette of last Monday, and by reason of which exposure the police were forced to raid the place early yesterday morning, were called up before Magistrate Bernard McKenna, at the Central police station hearing, it was learned that the charge against the woman was "keeping a disorderly house" and that against the visitors "frequenting a disorderly house." Most of those arrested were represented by sums of money put up as "forfeits" shortly after the arrests were made, and from these sums the fines of $25 and costs against Claudia Welsh, and $1 and costs ($4 40) against each of the visitors, were deducted.

That was all there was to it. The woman is at liberty to open her resort again just as soon as she considers it safe, and it is not improbable that the police will let her know when they consider it "safe."

Had the proper charge been made against Claudia Welsh—"selling liquor without license"—there would have been no paying of a light fine and then going back to her joint to later on resume business. Had that charge been made Magistrate McKenna would have had no recourse but to hold the woman for the grand jury.

Plenty of Evidence Available.

The officers who made the raid saw and heard enough to warrant the lodgment of such a charge by Superintendent of Police John McAleese or some of his officers. Such a procedure, however, would have been outside the protection guaranteed to these debasing speakeasies and was not to be thought of.

If anything was needed to prove the assertion made by The Gazette that Claudia Welsh's speakeasy is protected, it is found in the treatment accorded her yesterday. Had she not followed instructions handed down by those in authority and arranged with neighboring disreputable houses to have the "girls" float in and out of her place, at the same time raising the price of her beer, her place could not have been classed as a "disorderly house" when the raid was made. It would have been a speakeasy, a place where liquor is illegally sold, pure and simple.

Example Showing the Difference.

William Upman and William Rainer of Columbus, who came here and operated a speakeasy at No. 421 Third avenue, and were arrested Saturday night, were held for court on charges of selling liquor without a license. They had no political influence and were not protected. Claudia Welsh had political backing and a charge of keeping a disorderly house was lodged against her.

When questioned yesterday afternoon as to why a charge of selling liquor without a license was not lodged against Claudia, Supt. McAleese said the charge of keeping a disorderly house was customary in such cases, and for that reason his officers preferred that charge. And then Supt. McAleese proceeded to indulge in his favorite act of "putting up" the situation to some one else.

"Claudia Welsh was arrested and fined," said he. "It is up to the magistrate to dispose of the cases and not my officers. I order the arrests made and arraign the offenders before the magistrate. He can hold them for court or fine them, according to his judgment. Claudia Welsh paid her fine and was released. If she opens her place again, she will be arrested. Inspector Will is responsible for the manner in which she conducts her home, if it is used as a speakeasy, she will be arrested. She can run a disorderly house, that is a different matter. Disorderly houses are a necessity, but speakeasies and gambling houses are not."

No Action Looked For.

And though several places have been exposed, it still remains for the police to take any action against these lawbreakers. No action will be taken.

McAleese continued to talk yesterday after this fashion: "I mean business! Gambling houses and drinking resorts are to be closed. As soon as we can obtain the evidence against them, we close them."

This question was put to him:

"What about the chartered clubs? Can they sell liquor to any and every person who enters their club rooms?"

"They certainly cannot. Charters or no charters, will not save clubs where liquor and gambling are permitted. These places are to be raided as soon as they are detected by the officers. Where clubs are run as gambling houses and speakeasies they will be shut down. Nothing can save them.

"I have instructed Inspector Will to inform his officers to be on the lookout for dives of all kinds. My officers are expected to do their duty. I did not know that Claudia Welsh was conducting a speakeasy under the guise of a disorderly house, until informed by The Gazette. Practice of that kind will not be permitted."

The public will note that certain places are to be closed "as soon as they are detected," and that Inspector Will and the officers under him are expected to do their duty." The Gazette will endeavor to assist Inspector Will and Supt. McAleese in finding disreputable, unlawful places—the city's plague spots.

It will also be noted that McAleese says Claudia Welsh can run a "disorderly house," because that is a necessity. She will probably continue to operate a speakeasy, but the police will call it a "disorderly house."

HAMILTON'S BIG SALE OF CHRISTMAS PIANOS FROM $200 UP.

Christmas pianos are selling fast. So much business is done at this store at present that the establishment is obliged to remain open every night till almost midnight. Never saw anything like it.

Everybody who has ever had any dealings with this establishment is aware that the instruments sold here comprise the most desirable in the world. The reputation of this old house is behind every sale, which is as solid a guarantee as a government bond. And that IS a satisfaction to anyone. You are sure that your piano will give satisfaction, because this store cannot afford to handle any instrument that has the least defect. All must come up to the high standard of this establishment.

Don't deprive yourself of the pleasures of a Christmas piano. Don't let the thought of cost hinder you. Bring what cash you can spare and pay the rest in easy payments. You are cordially invited to do so. Do not hesitate. The terms will be made to suit your convenience, no matter what instrument you select.

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SKULL WAS CRUSHED WITH BEER BOTTLE

Schoenville Pole Succumbs to Injuries Received in Brawl. A Railroader Killed.

From the effects of a blow on the head with a beer bottle, delivered in a quarrel at his home, Valentine Ostroskie, a Pole, of Orchard street, Schoenville, died of a fractured skull at the St. John's hospital, Allegheny, last night. His murderer is still at large and the police of that borough are unable to learn who he is.

It appears that the dead man was in a quarrel on Sunday. After Ostroskie was injured his brother kept him in his room and failed to notify the physicians or the police. Yesterday he became worse and the brother took him to the hospital. Coroner McGeary is making an investigation.

In a collision between a double-header freight train and a light engine on the Pittsburgh & Western railroad, near the Bridge street crossing in Etna, yesterday morning, W. H. McMinn, a flagman, 24 years old and single, of Shaner, was killed and George Wiles, conductor of the freight, had his shoulder dislocated. Wiles is 27 years old and lives at Shaner.

Charles Lawrence, a motorman on the Mt. Lebanon branch of the Pittsburgh Railways Company, was thrown from the car yesterday morning at 5:30 o'clock. In falling his head struck the curbstone at Belzhoover avenue and Charles street, Belzhoover, and his skull was fracture. He died shortly after being admitted to the Homeopathic hospital.

James Stevenson, 50 years old, fell dead while working yesterday morning in Zug's steel mill. His home was in James street, Allegheny.

James Welsh, 35 years old, was found dead in bed at his boarding house in Second avenue, near Maurice street, yesterday morning.

TWENTIETH MILLION FOR METHODIST FUND

Some Philanthropic Croesus Will Add It to 20th Century Thank Offering.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.

Success has crowned the efforts of the Methodists of America to raise a twentieth century thank offering fund of $20,000,000. About $19,000,000 has already been raised and a promise has been obtained from a millionaire to add the required amount to complete the full sum. The name of the donor is a secret, and will remain so until New Year's eve, when, at a watch meeting to be held in the Trinity Methodist church in Springfield, Mass., formal announcement of the gift will be made.

In the meantime speculation is rife as to the man who is willing to and able to give so large a sum. Many names have been mentioned and there is a widespread inclination to believe that the $1,000,000 will come from either John D. Rockefeller or Andrew Carnegie, notwithstanding that they subscribe to different creeds.

FUNERAL CARRIAGE WRECKED BY CAR

Daughters Returning from Father's Interment Were Victims of Accident.

While returning from their father's funeral yesterday afternoon, a carriage containing Miss Margaret Gilbert and her younger sister was struck and wrecked by a Butler street car of the Pittsburgh Railways Company at Thirty-fifth street. The driver, George Geist, of No. 2529 Penn avenue, was thrown from his seat and had his hip dislocated by striking the block stones.

The carriage was returning from the funeral of the late Samuel Gilbert of No. 3540 Charlotte street, who was buried yesterday afternoon in St. Mary's Catholic cemetery. The Misses Gilbert were badly shaken up and frightened, but were not severely injured.

After Geist was removed to the office of Dr. Clark and his injury dressed, he was taken to his home. The Misses Gilbert were also able to continue their journey.

NEW BRIDGE OVER THE OHIO.

Plans Are Submitted to Government Engineer for New Structure.

Capt. W. L. Sibert, United States engineer, yesterday received plans for the proposed new bridge to cross the Ohio river from Preble avenue, Allegheny, to McKees Rocks, and to be erected by the Western Bridge Company of Pittsburgh. The bridge would provide an urgent need for residents of that section. A report that it is for the Pittsburgh Railways Company was officially denied last night.

Plans call for a channel span of 900 feet, 90 feet above pool level. Winfield Schoyer, John Jonston and Harry Layton are named as incorporators of the company.

For Over 60 Years

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for children while teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for Diarrhea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists.

STELLA MUSIC BOXES FOR CHRISTMAS

The largest sale of those splendid Music Boxes ever known. People recognize their superiority at once.

If you require music for any such affair as a dinner, and wish to have especially desirable selections, you will be delighted to learn how successfully the Stella Music Box reproduces all classes of composition. The one thing in particular which contributes to make the Stella Music Box popular is that the music can be started at any time, and that the box requires no attention during the time the pieces are playing. The family may sit in any part of the house, no matter where the music box is placed, and listen to the strains of delightful melody which flood the home. A Stella Music Box costs only $26 and up, and we have other good music boxes from $3 up.

Store will remain open till late this evening to accommodate Christmas shoppers.

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The Winter Term of the Indiana Normal School.

The Indiana Normal School of Pennsylvania will open for the winter term on Tuesday, January 6, 1903. Address Principal, Indiana, Pa.

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CITY ELECTRIC MUST PAY TAXES

Corporations Committee of Councils Reverse Action of Last Friday.

VICTORY FOR REFORMERS

A Five Per Cent Tax Clause Inserted and Ordinance Passed in Same Shape as Other Electric Light Bills.

By a unanimous vote the joint corporations committee of councils last night reversed its position of last Friday night and levied a tax of 5 per cent on the gross receipts of the City Electric Company and limiting the term of the franchise to 50 years, with 25 years additional, upon conditions.

This was a victory for the reform members, who fought from the first to tax all the corporations alike. Four of the Citizens members, who voted at the meeting last Friday to exempt the City Electric Company from taxation, were present last night and changed their votes. D. J. Bole of the Nineteenth ward stated that he was convinced that his constituents wanted the City Electric Company, as well as the others, taxed, and that he had made up his mind to obey their wishes.

Mr. Bole said that he would make a statement to this effect in the committee, but he was not given an opportunity, for the aye and nay vote was not called for.

Beaten at the Start.

W. T. Marshall, Attorney W. S. Miller, C. G. Ellwood and a son of J. N. Pew were present, representing the City Electric Company. They went to the city hall prepared to make a fight and force their ordinance through without a tax clause. Just before the meeting was called to order Ellwood approached Attorney Miller and said: "We are beaten. We might as well go home."

The attorney for the City Electric Company demurred. "No, let us stay," he said. "We might as well see the thing through."

Joseph Zeuger of the Ninth ward, one of the five Citizens who voted for the City Electric ordinance at the preceding meeting, moved that the action of the last meeting be reconsidered. J. C. Wasson of the Twentieth ward immediately presented a substitute for the City Electric ordinance, which provided for a 5 per cent tax and a limitation of the life of the franchise to 50 years, with 25 years additional, conditional upon the faithful performance of the contract.

The substitute was read and Mr. Wasson moved its adoption. D. F. Crawford of the Fourteenth ward seconded, and the substitute was passed without debate. Mr. Wasson then moved that the ordinance as amended be reported to councils, with an affirmative recommendation. This was done and the battle for the equal taxation was over, so far as the committee was concerned.

Four Changed Their Votes.

The four Citizens who voted for the City Electric bill without a tax clause at the previous meeting, and last night changed their votes, were: D. J. Bole of the Nineteenth ward; W. H. Barker of the Twenty-third ward; J. J. Hughes of the Fifth ward; Joseph Zeuger of the Ninth ward. The absent member of the five was W. C. Reitz of the Thirty-fifth ward.

The organization members held a caucus before the committee met and decided to stand together for the City Electric ordinance, if there was any chance to pass it. The motion to reconsider, by Joseph Zeuger, one of the company's former supporters, destroyed this hope and the organization men made no fight.

C. G. Ellwood, one of the representatives of the City Electric Company, stated after the meeting that his company would not accept the ordinance in the shape that it had passed the committee. He said the fight would be continued on the floor of councils, and declared that the ordinance would pass. He said that it would get the support of the machine members and a sufficient number of the Citizens.

Ellwood Makes Claims.

Mr. Ellwood also stated that the program was not to pass any of the electric light ordinances until after the election in February, and then the City Electric bill would go through in the shape that the company desired.

Immediately after the disposal of the City Electric ordinance Mr. Wasson called up the ordinance of the Diamond Light and Power Company, of which Select Councilman George Fleming is said to be the chief promoter. Mr. Wasson said that this ordinance had been overlooked at the last meeting of the committee. He moved that the Diamond Company's ordinance be amended to conform with the City Electric ordinance. This was done without debate.

The Morningside street railway ordinance, which provides for the construction of a line connecting the Butler street line with the North Negley avenue line, was called up, and Mr. Murphy moved to amend the ordinance to remove the proposed double tracks from Chislett and Jancey streets and to build the returning tracks in Baker street. This amendment was made in accordance with the wishes of the property owners in Chislett and Jancey streets.

Traction Company Must Pay.

Messrs. Stevenson and Wasson called attention to the fact that the ordinance provided no compensation to the city and did not limit the life of the franchise. The ordinance was sent to a sub-committee for amendment.

An ordinance granting the Phillips Mill and Supply Company the right to lay a track in Mary street, between South Twenty-third and South Twenty-fourth streets, and connecting with the Pittsburgh & Whitehall railroad, was sent to the same committee on Mr. Stevenson's motion. He thought that for a track 497 feet long the company should pay. Mr. Benz thought the $75 switch license fee enough, but the committee voted with Mr. Stevenson.

An ordinance giving the Conley-McAffee company the right to lay a switch connecting with the Allegheny Valley railroad at Twenty-third and Smallman streets was affirmatively recommended. It provides for a $75 license fee.

DEPARTMENT REORGANIZED.

New Officials for Sales End of Pressed Steel Car Company.

President F. N. Hoffstot of the Pressed Steel Car Company yesterday announced a reorganization of the sales department. O. C. Gayley, lately with the Pintsch Light Company and a brother of James Gayley, first vice president of the United States Steel Corporation, has been appointed manager of sales in the eastern district, with headquarters in New York. C. E. Postlethwaite was made manager of sales in the central district, with headquarters in Pittsburgh. J. H. Mitchell was appointed manager of the western district, with headquarters in Chicago.

In addition to these appointments a new office, assistant to the president, was created, and F. H. Rapley was appointed. He was formerly resident manager of the Transportation Development Company, the foreign wing of the Pressed Steel Car Company, with headquarters in London.

FARMERS DEPOSIT STOCKHOLDERS GET PLEASANT CHRISTMAS GIFT

Shareholders of the Farmers Deposit National bank will today receive handsomely engraved checks, embossed with sprigs of holly, which will carry an extra dividend of 6 per cent on the capital stock of the bank.

The checks will go out as a Christmas greeting to the shareholders, telling at the same time the story of an unusually successful year. This extra dividend will amount to $48,000 one the bank's stock issue of $800,000. With four 6 per cent dividends paid quarterly, the extra dividend swells the rate for this year to 30 per cent of the capital, or $240,000. Last year, with an extra dividend of 5 per cent, the bank paid 29 per cent. Surplus and undivided profits of the bank are $5,800,000.

AMERICAN RUINED BY ITALIAN GUNBOAT

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the arbitrators would be called upon to pass is the celebrated Calvo doctrine, which denies the right of any nation to intervene diplomatically in behalf of its subjects where the courts of the country are open to their application for justice. Former Postmaster General Don M. Dickinson explained this doctrine tonight in an interview. He said:

"Calvo was a native of either Venezuela or Brazil, and he laid down the doctrine that foreign nations have no right to interfere in behalf of any of their subjects in obtaining justice. This doctrine, either through diplomatic arrangement or other agreement, was adopted by all of the Latin American countries of South and Central America.

Doctrine Not Recognized.

"In our decision of the Salvator case Sir Henry Strong and myself refused absolutely to recognize the Calvo doctrine. The position taken under this idea is entirely erroneous. If a sovereign state makes a contract with an individual and a controversy arises between them as to the terms of the contract, it is ridiculous to assume that the sovereign state—one of the parties to the contract—has the right to sit as a court and decide a quarrel in which it is itself a party.

"That doctrine will have to be abandoned by all the countries that have taken it up, as all foreign nations will insist upon the rights to intervene in behalf of their subjects. Since our decision in the Salvador case was rendered, President Diaz of Mexico, one of the most capable executive officers in any Latin American country, has decided a case involving $2,000,000. In his decision he ignored the Calvo doctrine. President Diaz's position is a very important precedent and I expect that the belief of Latin Americans that they can uphold the principle of non-intervention will not last very long."

LA GUAYRA, VENEZUELA, Dec. 23.—(Special Cable.)—Five more coasting vessels fell victims this morning to the allies' vigilant blockade of this part of the Venezuelan coast. The captured craft were the schooners Castor and Maria Louisa, and the sloops Carmen de Vega, Josefita and Cornelia. The general cargo of each was cocoa. All the vessels are now anchored alongside the Italian cruiser Bausan.

The German cruiser Gazelle arrived today and left a few hours later. The blockade bids fair to have a very serious effect upon foreign commercial interests. When the stated days of grace expire no steamer belonging to a neutral nation or any other will be allowed to enter La Guayra harbor. Inasmuch as Venezuela depends upon the United States altogether for its food products the blockade will have a specially bad effect upon American trade, although European countries will also suffer through the enforcement of the decree.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—A lengthy communication, dealing with the British views of the arbitration of the Venezuelan dispute was made by Foreign Secretary Lansdowne to the United States charge d'affaires, Mr. White, this evening. It was transmitted immediately to Washington by Mr. White.

WILL BE SETTLED.

Former President Cleveland Thinks Venezuela Difficulty Will Not Be Serious.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 23.—Former President Cleveland, who has been on a duck shooting trip in South Carolina, returned to Princeton today in excellent health.

When asked his opinion on the Venezuelan question he replied that he thought proper authorities would bring about an adjustment.

PRESIDENT SUMMONED TO APPEAR IN COURT

Mrs. Motley Puts in Claim for $25,000 Against Estate of His Cousin.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.

President Theodore Roosevelt was one of the parties cited to appear before Surrogate Thomas today, when an application was made in the name of Mrs. Gertrude B. Motley that letters of administration be granted upon the estate of Cornelius Roosevelt, who died in this city February 15 last.

Mrs. Motley is a young woman of rare beauty whose residence is at No. 122 West Sixty-first street. She knew Cornelius Roosevelt for many years—having made his acquaintance in Paris—and has presented a claim against his estate for $25,000, which she is now seeking to collect. He executed several wills, neither of which has been filed here, it being contended he was a resident of France, and his executors, W. Emlen Roosevelt and John E. Roosevelt, say he left little property here to be administered upon. They deny that the estate is indebted to Mrs. Motley. She is represented by Hays & Hershfield and George C. Kobbe appears for President Roosevelt and the executors.

Cornelius Roosevelt's marriage in France many years ago displeased his uncle, Cornelius V. S. Roosevelt, who died in 1887 leaving an estate of a half million, directing in his will that under no circumstances should this nephew share in his property. Cornelius left a large number of cousins, including President Roosevelt.

MRS. E. V. NEEB DEAD.

Mother of the Late Senator John N. Neeb Died Suddenly in Her Chair Last Night.

Mrs. Elizabeth Voegtly Neeb, widow of William Neeb, one of the proprietors of the Freiheits Freund for over 45 years, and a member of one of the oldest German families in Pennsylvania, died suddenly late last night at her home, No. 210 Stockton avenue, west, Allegheny. Mrs. Neeb had been in her usual health, and last night while sitting with her family suddenly expired. Mrs. Neeb was a daughter of John Voegtly, Jr., and granddaughter of Nickolaus Voegtly, Sr., a pioneer settler in this section. On her mother's side she was descended from the first German family that settled on the present site of Harrisburg.

Mrs. Neeb was born February 22, 1827, at River and Madison avenues, Allegheny, when that section was known as Ross township. She was married on May 16, 1850, in Allegheny, and was the mother of eight children, six of whom survive, as follows: Mrs. John M. Goehring, Mrs. Chester T. Hoag, both of Allegheny; Mrs. Frank F. Williams of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. John L. Boyd, Jr., and Miss Sadie A. and Charles W. Neeb of Allegheny. Mrs. Neeb was also the mother of State Senator John N. Neeb, who died in 1893. Mrs. Neeb is also survived by 12 grandchildren. She was a member of the German Evangelical Protestant church of Allegheny.

WILL HEAR PROTEST

The Allegheny Citizens Committee Will Act Upon Councilmanic Nomination Next Friday Night.

The executive committee of the Allegheny Citizens party will hold a meeting Friday night, in Kenyon's hall, to consider the protest made by the citizens of the Second ward against the nominees for council from that ward.

The Republicans of the Seventeenth ward will hold a suggestion meeting at the Main street school house Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

A meeting of the Democrats of the Ninth ward was held last night in the Ralston school. John Windish was the unanimous choice for school director and Bernard Kenna for chief ward assessor. Resolutions indorsing fusion with the Citizens party were adopted, but no choice for recordership made.

Pensions Granted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—These Pennsylvanians were granted pensions today: William Crookshank, Verona, $8; Jacob L. Shipman, Braddock, $6; William Thompson, Coal Bluff, $8; Annie McFarland, New Castle, $8; Sarah McCoy, New Athens, $12.

DYING WOMAN FREED FROM BRUTAL HUSBAND

Married but One Year Since Ill-Treatment Brought on Fatal Illness.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—Represented by a photograph of herself and her sister in court, Mrs. Lucy E. Dorn was given a divorce from William F. Dorn, to whom she was married but a year ago. She herself was at the home of the parents unconscious and is believed to be dying.

The witnesses told a story of extreme cruelty suffered by the dying woman at the hands of her husband, which began a few days after her marriage and continued until she was obliged to flee to her parents. This brought on illness from which she cannot recover.

HAVE TROUBLE, TOO.

Colored Citizens Organization Holds a Stormy Meeting and Elects Officers.

The Colored Citizens party organization held a convention at No. 1921 Carson street last night, and it required five policemen to keep the delegates from plotting. A week ago a convention was held, and after struggling all day C. D. Shelton was elected chairman. The meeting last night was to elect a secretary and treasurer. Thomas Williams was declared elected secretary.

Many men wanted to be treasurer. There was so much confusion that Charles Carpenter had to pull the leg of the chairman before he could secure recognition. Then he said:

"We have men in here tonight capable of holding any kind of money, and diamonds at that, and I have the honor, gentlemen, to place in nomination the name of James T. Brown."

Ben Blue was then heard. He said: "Gentlemen, I place in nomination the name of one who needs no introduction, and who has a stiff upper lip. I place in nomination the Hon. Andrew Jackson of the Twentieth ward."

Jackson seemed to have the convention, for the noise was awful. Other candidates named were Lemuel Goggins, James C. Clark, Walter Jones and John McKeever. Jackson was declared elected.

Chairman Shelton made this announcement: "I am going to name an executive committee when I see fit. We are not going into this thing as the last committee did. That last committee went out to see what they could get. The eight committeemen were rotten. The men I will put on the committee will be gentlemen, and if they don't stand up and do what's right, I'll chop them."

FIRE AT BRADDOCK.

Two Stores Gutted and a Loss of $18,000 Entailed—Cause of Blaze Unknown.

A fire, the loss from which will amount to about $18,000, occurred late last night at Braddock. The stores of Fred Kittell and W. M. Lowenstein were completely gutted and the shop and residence of Hiram Dulaney were badly burned in the rear.

About 11 o'clock Mrs. Margaret Forbes, who lives with the Dulaney family, went to the basement to secure some coal. She saw flames coming out of the corner of Lowenstein's store and quickly turned in an alarm.

The store of Kittell was at Third and Braddock avenues. Kittell's loss is about $3,000, with an insurance of $500. Lowenstein's clothing store was in Braddock avenue, next to that of Kittell. His loss will be about $16,000 to $12,000, with an insurance of $2,500.

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But no matter what you call it, this skin disease which comes in patches that burn, itch, discharge a watery matter, dry and scale, owes its existence to the presence of humors in the system.

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CORNER STONE LAID BY ELKS

Interesting Ceremony Was Held Last Night in Allegheny.

SPECTATORS SHIVERED

Just as the hour of 11 struck last night the corner stone of the new building to be erected by Allegheny lodge, No. 339, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, was laid. The witnesses of the ceremonies were about 200 members and some visitors from other lodges of this vicinity. The temperature took a decided drop a few hours before the ceremony was to take place and no time was wasted in laying the stone.

Early in the evening the members of the lodge began gathering and at 10:45 o'clock a procession was formed in the old house at the corner of Cedar avenue and Washington street. Headed by Esteemed Leading Knight H. R. Pearson carrying the Stars and Stripes, the procession moved from the house to Washington street, where in the rear of the old building the new home is to be erected.

Exalted Ruler Henry P. Staving presided at the exercises and read from the Elks' ritual the service relative to such occasions. Chaplin R. K. Cochrane delivered a brief prayer, while the crowd of shivering men stood about with bared heads. The big beam supporting the corner stone was lowered and the stone was placed in position, while the Harris quartet sang the "Lost Chord."

The box placed in the corner stone contained a roster of the members of the Allegheny lodge, the Constitution of the United States, the history of the lodge and the order, the charter of incorporation, the grand lodge charter, copies of the daily papers, and numerous coins, dating from 1798 to the present time.

After the Harris quartet had sung "Nearer, My God, to Thee," the crowd marched back to the lodge rooms and was dismissed.

The building to be erected by the Allegheny lodge will be of buff brick, with white stone trimmings, and will cost about $60,000. It will be three stories high, and will be equipped with all the appurtenances of a modern clubhouse. The dedication exercises will take place on April 1, 1903.

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When convenient please take small parcels with you.

Use Shopping Card and Transfer System.

233-235 FIFTH AVENUE.

CHRISTMAS PIANOS

$125, $175, $225

Pianos Delayed in Transit Have Just Arrived In Time for Late Holiday Buyers.

Those who still intend purchasing a piano for Xmas have an excellent opportunity, as many of our finer pianos were delayed and are being placed on our floors. We do not wish to carry so many high grade, expensive instruments over the holidays, hence the big cut in prices to close them out now. We have a few new pianos that are slightly checked in the varnish, but perfect in tone and action; these go for about half regular price; ask to see them; here are a few bargains for your consideration:

$450 Used Steinway Piano	$ 90
$500 Used Chickering Piano	$100
$500 Used Decker Piano	$110
$400 Used Hardman Piano	$125
$400 Carleton Piano	$250
$400 Used Schaeffer Piano	$265
$425 Used Schiller Piano	$285
$475 Steger Piano	$300
$500 Steger Piano	$325
$550 Decker Piano	$375
$600 Decker Piano	$425

Good Square P

HOLIDAY TRADE BROKE RECORDS

Yesterdays Business Exceeded Anything Ever Seen in Pittsburgh.

POSTOFFICE BAROMETER

There and at Express Companies Number of Packages Sent Out Were Incalculable—Last December 23 Distanced by $300,000.

The rush of Christmas shoppers exceeded yesterday the record of any similar day in the history of Pittsburgh. The crowds on the streets and the passengers on the street cars and accommodation trains were more numerous; the business of jewelers, department, notion and dry-goods stores, of the postoffice and the express offices was the greatest of any Christmas holiday.

More clerks have been hired for the festive season than ever before, never before were so many people on the streets on business bent, or so many extra police men hired to protect the stores, keep the crowds moving and prevent congestion of traffic at corners and important business points.

The postoffice is usually considered the business barometer, and it indicated yesterday a pressure never before felt. The four weighing clerks, the four stamp clerks, the several registry clerks and every employe of the office but the carriers, could not fail to observe that Christmas had arrived with a rush. The carriers' turn will come today, when the letters and packages mailed last night and this morning are to be delivered.

Business Was Immense.

The money order business of the postoffice was on Monday the greatest in the history of the office, so Postmaster George L. Holliday said, and it was expected that it would even exceed yesterday's trade. Persons sending money want it to arrive in time to enable the recipients to buy themselves something for Christmas, and therefore money orders are purchased most abundantly two days before Christmas. The postmaster thinks that the aggregate amount in cash will also overtop any previous record.

The department granted the postmaster 350 days' extra work, and he proceeded to distribute the privilege in the departments where the most clerks were needed. Twenty-two extra clerks were put on, but many regular employes are working double time.

For example, on Monday, when the regular money order department closed, the entire force of the office, excepting two clerks, who continued to fill out money orders, was transferred to the registry department, augenting the force of that division. Both sets of clerks worked nearly all night, for the regular force would have been swamped had it attempted to cope with the registry business that poured in. And the people continued to come all day and far into the night yesterday.

Busy Scene at Postoffice.

The lobby of the postoffice presented a busy scene all yesterday and in the evening, too. The postmaster had put four weighing clerks to work in the lobby, each with scales, pencil and table. Packages were rapidly weighed, the amount due in stamps marked in pencil, and the owner of the package had only to step to the stamp window, buy the necessary stamps, affix them and mail the package at the regular window. The business that the four weighing clerks produced was handled by four stamp clerks. More than three of the latter were never employed before, and two weighing clerks had been able to handle the package weighing until this season.

The increase in business at the postoffice does not indicate entirely the enormous extra work that has to be done, for last Christmas the Oakland sub-station was not in existence, while this week it is doing a big business, which ought to be added to the trade at the main office, to enable one to comprehend the extent to which the people are remembering their relatives and friends. The East Liberty sub-station would have "fallen down" in its efforts to keep up with Christmas doings, had it not been for the extra clerical help that Postmaster Holliday sent out.

Express Companies Almost Swamped.

At the Adams and United States Express offices, there was a busy time, and the prosperity of Pittsburgh could be well gauged by the number of packages and the value marked thereon. Extra clerks handled the business as expeditiously as possible, and even then the counters were lined three deep with waiting customers. Extra drivers and teams have been engaged by the express companies, and the railroads have hired more than the usual help to dispose of packages promptly at the stations.

The local package delivery companies and the special delivery service at the postoffice have not, of course, yet begun to do business, but everything has been prepared to take care of a record-breaking trade. It is expected that the local business will be greater than ever before, and hundreds of messenger boys have been hired to come to work early this morning.

Every store that handled anything suitable for a Christmas gift was crowded all day and evening. Jewelers reported that they had sold more articles of jewelry than ever before, and that the value of the ornaments exceeded any total ever recorded. It is estimated that $300,000 will not entirely cover the day's increase over last year's business, which was unusually large.

Tons of Candy Were Sold.

As for candy, it is selling by tons. It is figured that the Sunday schools alone will give away 150,000 pounds in Pittsburgh and Allegheny. Tons of candy will be hung on Christmas trees in miniature stocking and barrels or conucopias, and still more tons of the finer kinds will be delivered all over the two cities. One dealer in fine candies had filled beforehand more than the usual supply of two and three-pound boxes, but the supply ran out early and his clerks were unable to keep up with the customers crowding before the counters.

The department stores did a great business, and suffered less from shoplifters than they had expected. City and private detectives circulated through the stores, and policemen in uniform directed the flow of humanity.

The traction company had all available cars out, from the brand new big cars to the old rattletraps that had been relegated to an inconspicuous place in the barn. Additional dispatchers were put on at all the important crossings and they were aided by policemen in preventing mad rushes to board the cars. The value of the new curves was shown, for cars could be sent around other loops when congestion on the old routes made it necessary to relieve the tracks of long lines of cars.

There is no corner in turkeys, and dealers say that the prevailing price, 22 cents a pound for dressed turkeys, is moderate, considering the demand. Dealers want to put the price up to 25 cents, and the grocers who bought live turkeys, killed, prepared them, and confidently expect to get 25 cents a pound.

Big Trade in East End.

The busiest holiday season in years has been experienced by East End merchants during the past two weeks. Every day and night Frankstown and Penn avenues are crowded with people, their arms laden down with gifts of almost every description.

Some trouble has been experienced by the merchants in finding enough clerks to wait on their customers, and often the members of a merchant's family and their immediate friends are pressed into service to help satisfy the demand.

The stores are all keeping open until a late hour, and at closing time there is always a rush.

Great crowds throng all the jewelry shops, confectioneries, drygoods and drug stores, and even the smallest tobacco stores are doing the heaviest trade of their business existence. The culinary demands from each home seem to be so great that grocers' wagons are all working overtime, and the produce merchants are having some trouble to get enough stuff to supply the orders.

Florists Reap Harvest.

East End florists are reaping a harvest this season. Never before has their stock been so large and many unique floral gifts of the most costly nature are being sold. American beauty roses, at from $24 to $50 per dozen, are being sold by the hundred, and among the new and special selling novelties are English holly trees and fancy potted plants, which bring good prices.

So great is the rush at the East Liberty postoffice that persons are compelled to await their turn to reach the windows, and the increase in business will exceed that of any year in the past 10. The office closes at 9 each night, but the employes have to work until the wee small hours in the morning before they get all the mail handled.

THE WEATHER.

A "white" Christmas is predicted for Pittsburgh and vicinity by the Washington weather bureau. In the report sent out last night fair weather was predicted today, followed by colder and snow for tomorrow. The temperature today will not change greatly from that of yesterday, when the air was just crisp enough to make the day pleasant and bring out the big crowds again. The maximum yesterday was 34 degrees and the minimum 30. The temperature from noon to 8 o'clock last night only varied three degrees.

Fair.

The Gazette weather service thermometers at Kaufmann's corner at the following hours yesterday registered:

12 noon	31 deg.	8 p. m.	30 deg.
4 p. m.	33 deg.	12 midnight	28 deg.

Time of sunrise today ..... 7:23 a. m.
Time of sunset today ..... 4:37 p. m.

Daily report for yesterday furnished by the United States weather bureau:

Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.35	30	59	N. E.	Cloudy
8 p. m.	30.40	31	63	N. E.	Clear

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 23:

	1901	1900	1850	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	40	61	51	49	27	35
Minimum	26	40	29	38	14	17
Mean	38	54	40	44	20	26
Precipitation	.10	T	T	.04	.01	T

Maximum temperature (1 p. m.) 34
Minimum temperature (8 a. m.) 30
Mean temperature 32
Normal temperature (for all years) 37
Deficiency in temperature for the day 5
Excess or deficiency in temperature since Dec. 1 0
Excess in temperature since Jan. 1 190
Normal precipitation (for 31 Years) ..... .10
Precipitation for the day 0
Deficiency in precipitation for the day ..... .10
Excess in precipitation since Dec. 1 ..... .20
Deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1 ..... 4.73

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Forecast: Western Pennsylvania—Fair in south, probably snow in north portion Wednesday; Thursday snow and colder; variable winds.

Ohio—Fair Wednesday and Thursday, except snow along the lake; colder Thursday; variable winds, becoming northwest and brisk to high.

West Virginia—Fair Wednesday; warmer in east portion; Thursday fair, colder.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Cincinnati	34 Clear	Buffalo	22 Clear
Parkersb'g	32 Clear	Cleveland	28 Clear
Washing't'n	32 Clear	Vicksburg	44 Cloudy
Lake	38 Cloudy	Jacksonville	50 Clear
Louisville	32 Clear	Cheyenne	38 Clear
Chicago	32 Cloudy	Norfolk	36 Clear
N. Haven	28 Cloudy	Huron	30 Clear
N. Orleans	46 Cloudy	Marquette	28 Cloudy
New York	28 Clear	*Sault Apelle	4 Snow
Philadel'a	26 Clear		

*Below zero.

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Don't be disappointed regarding your Christmas piano. It is not yet too late. There is still time in which to make your selection and you may be sure of the instrument being delivered on Christmas Day.

Hamilton's stock was very much larger than usual at the beginning of the season, because of the anticipated demand for instruments for Christmas delivery. The selection is still very large and no matter what price you may wish to pay for an instrument, you can find one here at that price. Terms of payment will be made to suit your convenience.

It will do your heart good to see the many beautiful pianos now displayed at this old reliable store. One thing which indicates the wonderful popularity of this establishment and its hold upon the confidence of the public, is that many people from other towns make all their purchases of musical merchandise here. It is because of the business having been established for over a quarter of a century and the high standard constantly maintained that the people repose implicit confidence in Hamilton's.

All instruments are fully guaranteed. Prices of pianos range from $200 up.

The store will remain open this evening all late, to accommodate Christmas shoppers, but will be closed on Christmas Day unless disappointed persons should send us word to meet them here Christmas Day, in which case we shall be glad to have a salesman at the store for their accommodation.

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A Continuously Busy Scene Is Presented in the Corridors of the Pittsburgh Postoffice These Days.

"BOB" GRAY SENDS RAY OF CHRISTMAS CHEER INTO AN OFFICER'S HOME

Through the kind-heartedness of Police Inspector Robert S. Gray, of the East Liberty district, the family of one policeman on the force will be supplied with all the delicacies of the season for a grand Christmas dinner.

Henry J. Gordon has been on the force out seven weeks. He did regular duty for just one day and then was assigned to guard the home of a wealthy Shady avenue family while they are in the south for the winter. On last pay day the policeman received but $2.50 for his seven weeks' service, and the prospects for a happy Christmas in the Gordon home were exceedingly gloomy.

Before the officers went on duty Inspector Gray appealed to them to help make this Christmas in the Gordon family a memorable one. Every one of the 35 members of the night force made a contribution to the fund.

The total amount was a little over $10, and when Inspector Gray appeared in his office and told Officer Gordon what the men had done for him he stood speechless as he took the money tendered him. The happily surprised officer could not find words to express himself and left Inspector Gray's private room crying like a child and aching for the opportunity to hasten home and tell his wife and little ones what had been done for them.

HAD CHRISTMAS TREAT.

Pupils of Woolslair Kindergarten Enjoyed Event—Councilman Nichols Footed Bill.

The pupils of the Woolslair school kindergarten had their annual Christmas entertainment at the school, Fortieth street and Liberty avenue, yesterday afternoon. The hours were from 2 until 4 o'clock and there were 64 children on the circle.

The entertainment was one of the most unique affairs in the history of local kindergarten work and was successful in every detail. About 150 grown persons, principally parents and friends of the children, attended.

The children were in charge of the director of the kindergarten, Miss Charlotte Orr and her assistant, Miss Alberta Reahard. Christmas carols were sung by the children and Miss Orr told a Christmas story. Drills of various sorts were presented and then came the treat.

Through the generosity of Councilman W. Henry Nichols of the Sixteenth ward a large Christmas tree was provided, which was filled with presents for the children. Councilman Nichols also sent fruit and confections for the pupils.

The girls were all presented with neatly dressed dolls, while the boys were the recipients of little harness with sleigh bells. The children also brought gifts for their mothers, which were placed on the tree and distributed.

The Woolslair kindergarten is one of the most flourishing schools of its kind in the two cities, and to Miss Orr and her assistant, Miss Reahard, belongs great credit for the condition of the school. The parents who attended yesterday's entertainment were loud in their praises of the faithful work of the young women.

THE COON CALENDAR.

Christmas Present Will Be Issued With Tomorrow's Gazette.

The friends and readers of The Gazette will receive a Christmas gift from "The Old Lady" tomorrow. Payne, the "Coon editor," has consented to furnish a unique calendar for 1903. It will be in colors and will represent Mr. Coon of Coon Hollow and his boon companion, the Inquisitive Bird. The sketch was made in one of Payne's happiest moods, and that means much.

In honor of the occasion Mr. Coon will appear resplendent in a crimson top coat and a silk hat, while his facial expression indicates that if he has not already had his turkey dinner he has at least made a successful foray on a luscious cornfield in the neighborhood. The Inquisitive Bird seems also to have fared well, and is enjoying a huge after-dinner cigar. A feature of the calendar is a reproduction of The Gazette's front page on November 29.

HOMESTEAD FUND TOO SMALL.

Schwab's Xmas Contribution Not Large Enough for All Applicants.

The children in the public and parochial schools of Braddock were given candy and toys by the committee in charge of the Schwab Christmas fund yesterday. Five thousand boxes of candy and several hundred toys were given away. The 220 families in Braddock who were to be given money and provisions will receive them today.

In Homestead it has been found that more applications are being made to the committee for help that cannot be provided for, and as a consequence every application for aid is being thoroughly investigated, and many will be refused. The last orders for provisions and clothing will be given out this morning.

Held Its Election.

The Alexander Hamilton club of Allegheny last night held its annual election. A smoker and reception was given, following the election, which resulted as follows: President, William B. Arbegast; vice presidents, John Sauers and James L. Hall; treasurer, J. C. Hall; financial secretary, John K. Phillips; corresponding secretary, John S. Edgar; directors, Joseph Stewart, James Drum, Isadore Byers, Peter Foley, B. J. McFarlane, Samuel Yhemans, Joseph Y. Reed, Joseph Hopkins and U. G. Johnston.

FOUL PLAY THEORY IS GIVEN CREDENCE

P. D. Jefferson Is Mysteriously Missing and His Friends Fear for His Safety.

The mysterious disappearance of P. D. Jefferson, formerly employed as a foreman at a concrete mill on the Wabash railroad construction work, has given rise to fears of foul play. The police have been put on the case, but so far no clue has been discovered to his whereabouts.

Jefferson resigned his position last week, expecting to leave for Texas Monday. He was last seen when he left his boarding house, at No. 3232 Boquet street, Saturday morning. His announced intention at that time was to go to Brunots island to collect some money owed him by a negro. He had had warnings from a fellow workman on the Wabash that he should not attempt to make that collection. It is presumed that he settled up his account at the bank before going to Brunots island, and that he had a considerable amount of money on his person.

Jefferson was 40 years of age and is said to have been without a single bad habit. He had light hair and eyes, was about five feet, ten inches tall and weighed about 160 pounds. He wore Saturday a light hat, a chinchilla coat, corduroy trousers and felt boots.

HOLIDAY PAY $1,000,000.

Employes of Plants Near Braddock Should Have a Merry Christmas.

Close to $1,000,000 was either distributed yesterday or will be today to employes by the industrial plants near Braddock in the Monongahela and Turtle Creek valleys as the Christmas pay. Payday would not ordinarily have come until Saturday of this week, but in order to make Christmas the cheerier in the homes of thousands the companies advanced the time of the semi-weekly "ghost-walking" several days. The number of men affected and the amounts paid at the large plants yesterday and today follow:

Edgar Thomson works, 4,500 men, $148,000; Westinghouse airbrake works, 5,000 men, $240,000; Westinghouse Electric, Westinghouse Machine and Pittsburgh Meter Company, 4,500 men, $215,000; Carrie furnaces, Ranklin, 500 men, $25,000; Duquesne works, 2,000 men, $115,000; American Steel and Wire, Rankin, 1,200, and at Braddock, 1,050 men, $108,000; Walker Foundry, Braddock, 200 men, $10,000; Standard Chain Company, West Braddock, 500 men, $25,000; other smaller plants, 1,500 men, $75,000; total, $961,000.

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PE-RU-NA IN THE HOME BRINGS SAFETY AND COMFORT.

A Letter From a Beautiful Albany Girl.

MISS SARA McGAHAN.

Most of the Illnesses That Come to the Human Family Are the Direct Result of Colds.

MISS SARA McGAHAN, 197 Third street, Albany, N. Y., writes:

"A few months ago I suffered with a severe attack of influenza which nothing seemed to relieve. My hearing became bad, my eyes became irritated and feverish. Nothing seemed right, and nothing I ate tasted good.

"I do not know what Peruna is made of, but I know it is a wonderful medicine to drive away sickness and restore you to health. Within two weeks I was perfectly well, and now when any of my friends are sick I advise them to take Peruna."—Sara McGahan.

A Cold Is the Starting Point of One-Half the Diseases of Mankind.

It is through colds that most of the illnesses come to the human family. Our climate is responsible for most diseases. The ill effects of the climate first expresses itself through a cold. Immediately following the cold is a derangement of one or more of the organs. It may be in the head. It may be in the stomach. It may be in the pelvic organs, but somewhere in the body the cold is sure to settle.

If Peruna is used at this juncture, all trouble would be averted, but unfortunately many people do not use Peruna.

Some of them use some other remedy, and some of them use no remedy, and the cold is allowed to develop into influenza (la grippe), or chronic catarrh. At this stage even of the disease, Peruna will cure, but of course it takes longer. Used in time Peruna never fails to break up a cold and thus avert a great deal of sickness.

The fact is Peruna should be in every household.

A Family of Nine Protected from Catarrhal Diseases by Pe-ru-na.

Mrs. Fred Bartz, 7901-3 Ivory avenue, St. Louis, Mo., writes:

"As long as we have had Peruna in the house we have not needed a doctor and there are nine of us in the family. Peruna has rendered us greater service than five doctors and all the patent medicines I used in the six years that I was sick. I was so bad that no one thought I would ever recover."—Mrs. Fred Bartz.

Peruna is becoming better and better established every day.

It is simply foolishness on the part of any household to allow themselves to be without Peruna.

Holiday Dinners and Catarrhal Indigestion.

Christmas and New Year's bring their joys long anticipated and heartily enjoyed. But the pleasure of holidays is not simply unalloyed. The big dinners, the nuts and candies, the thousand and one delicacies and rich viands that tempt the palate and seduce the appetite, are too well known to need mention.

All this leads to deranged stomachs. Catarrh of the stomach is the immediate result. Gastric catarrh, the doctors call it. One or two doses of Peruna at the time prevent a long siege with catarrh of the stomach (generally called dyspepsia). What the doctors call dyspepsia, and the people call indigestion, is in reality catarrh of the stomach.

Holiday over-eating is not entirely confined to children, either. The old folks sometimes do so, too. Whole families often suffer together. Catarrh of the stomach. That is the correct name for it. Right here Peruna, the friend of the family, comes to the rescue. No family is exactly safe without Peruna. Nothing will take the place of Peruna. Insist upon having it and no other.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

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FOURTEEN PAGES.

Christmas will come with a brighter aspect to the 20,000 employes of the H. C. Frick Coke Company and allied corporations who have just been notified of an advance of eight per cent in their wages. This order brings the pay of the coke workers to the highest rate of recent years, and is justified by existing conditions and the outlook for the future. It does not mean, as in the case of the railroads, an almost immediate advance in the price of coke, for the company decided some time ago to continue ruling quotations to regular customers. The notice is a very welcome Christmas offering to the entire population of the vast coking coal fields, whether directly engaged in the industry or not. It means better conditons for all of them. The details of the advances to the various classes of men makes pleasant and seasonable reading.

Our cotemporary, Henry Watterson, who has been so busy with the four hundred and the sage of Princeton lately that he has been compelled to neglect the Star Eyed Goddess to some extent, has discovered the Monroe doctrine. The discovery is timely, for Mr. Watterson finds the doctrine in danger from both its enemies and friends. He belongs to the latter class, which does not apparently modify the danger, for his first thought is to save the doctrine by remodeling its essential features. Mr. Watterson has long been convinced that the Declaration of Independence has been knocked out of shape and the Constitution twisted, so he now advocates a turning of the Monroe declaration to make it a companion piece to the other sacred documents as he sees them. Mars' Henry's spectacles are not the most accurate, as the reading public has reason to know, but their distortions are marvelously interesting. They impart wonderful qualities to things seen through them and aided by a vigorous imagination have given the world pictures of highly refreshing quality, unrivaled anywhere.

Last evening's session of the corporations committee repaired the damage done last week in so far as it was able by unanimously rescinding its action upon the City Electric franchise and amending it to provide a limited term and a tax of five per cent upon gross receipts. The term is double what is deemed fair in other cities, such as New York, Baltimore and Cleveland, and is twice as long as was contemplated by the Citizens party platform. Therefore, the ordinance as amended must be regarded as a very liberal grant. The important phase of the committee's action, however, lies in the fact that it has shown itself amenable to righteous public sentiment in strong contrast to the former ring regime, which forced through uncompensated franchises without any regard for justice or public opinion. It must be admitted the present control is somewhat uncertain as compared with the dictation of other years, but at the worst it does not ride rough shod over every right of the public without deigning to give a reason for doing so. The committee displayed actual capacity for business in referring two franchise ordinances to sub-committees for investigation with orders to report promptly.

By prosecuting speakeasy proprietors before police magistrates as keepers of disorderly houses, Inspector McAleese increases his own responsibilities. That method permits release of the offenders upon payment of a fine, and it becomes the duty of the police bureau to see they do not resume the illicit traffic. On the other hand, those held to court are, in a way, taken off the hands of the police. The assumption of additional responsibility as indicated is the more to be wondered at in the face of a confession that the character of the joints exposed by The Gazette was not known at police headquarters until The Gazette disclosures were made. The Gazette cannot undertake to keep the police bureau informed when the people released upon payment of fines return to their illegal trade, and the confession quoted indicates unreliability on the part of the bureau's other sources of information. It is incredible that policemen on the beats were not aware of the character of the places exposed on Diamond street and Third avenue. If they knew and did not report to their chiefs, the public would like to know why not, and what assurance there is that they will do so in future. And if the officers really did not know what was so easy to find out, the public would like to know if any steps have been taken to put men on duty who are capable of performing it. Mere orders are nothing unless they are carried out. No one knows this better than Superintendent McAleese, Director Leslie and Recorder Brown.

After more than a two hours' session considering the Venezuelan question the members of President Roosevelt's cabinet favor his acceptance of the ... of arbitrator. As yet no direct reply has been ...ved to the president's suggestion to refer to ...ague tribunal, nor has there been a specific ...ion to submit to the arbitration of the presi... though the latter is expected at any time ... be an intimation that the president will ...o act. Such an intimation may easily ...day's cabinet meeting if the tone of prevailing reports are accurate as to the views of President Roosevelt and his advisers.

The one thing that inclines the cabinet to favor arbitration by the president is its natural hesitancy to submit the Monroe doctrine to consideration by The Hague tribunal. The Monroe doctrine is not directly involved, but some discussion of it would be almost inevitable. The fairness of the international court is not doubted, but the fact is recognized that it is composed mainly of men having monarchical sympathies and connections. The cabinet prefers that if the Monroe doctrine is to be examined in the slightest it should be under American influence, where it is fully recognized. Another reason for preferring the president as arbitrator is to gain time. The Hague tribunal being a cumbersome, unwieldy body, because a continuance of the blockade is necessarily fraught with the constant danger of provoking active hostilities.

It is stated upon good authority that if the president undertakes to arbitrate the claims against Venezuela he will appoint a commission composed of men of the highest character to investigate the facts and the law involved. He could not intrust business of such vast import to ordinary bureau clerks, nor could he spare the time to personally examine all of the claims included. There are law questions that will call for decision by the best legal talent. Some of these questions are very broad and intricate, applying to all of South America equally with Venezuela. They cannot be passed upon without careful consideration of their farthest reaching effects, all of which implies a commission of experts and men of affairs of the highest attainments, as President Roosevelt would not care to act upon findings about which there could be any reasonable doubt.

Another phase of the subject was introduced at the cabinet meeting, namely, that if the president undertakes to pass upon the claims of the powers the United States virtually becomes a guarantor that his award shall be executed. This is not a responsibility to be shirked. On the contrary, it is carrying the Monroe doctrine to its logical sequence. That doctrine protects the Latin-American states against territorial aggressions on the part of monarchical powers and thereby implies the duty to compel those states to fulfill their international obligations. In this Venezuelan affair the government at Washington has preferred to consent to chastisement by England and Germany upon their representations that they will not infringe upon the Monroe doctrine. But if, now, the president accepts the proposal that he shall arbitrate the claims, any further pressure that may be needed to enforce payment of the claims allowed by the arbitration will properly be applied by the United States. No doubt Venezuela understands this aspect of the matter and will be willing to abide by it if at all sincere in its promises to settle. Recognition of this principle should have a salutary effect upon the foreign relations of all South American countries.

THE FABLE OF FATHER PITT AND CERTAIN REFORMERS.

Dedicated to W. H. BARKER of the Twenty-third ward, D. J. BOLE of the Nineteenth ward, JOHN J. HUGHES of the Fifth ward, and W. C. REITZ of the Thirty-fifth ward.

There was once an Old Man who had a Big Estate which he did not Know how to manage. He frequently scolded his Servants, whereupon they salaamed respectfully and Winked one to another. And they said, "Behold there are a lot of Good Things here. We will let Our Friends in on them and thus we shall Do him good." So they Did him Good and Plenty, until he Woke Up to the fact that his Estate was covered by leaseholds which were Paying Big the holders thereof and Paying him Nothing. And he arose in his Wrath and Kicked those Servants out and hired a New Lot. And it turned out that the Old Man had some Good Things left, and Tenants presented themselves saying, "Let Us have the Use of them and We will Pay the rent." Thereupon the Old Man's friends rejoiced, saying, "While Much has been Wasted yet here is Something left. Let us make Sure of that and then get after the Fellows who don't Pay." But certain of his Servants said, "Would that be Fair? Inasmuch as his Property has been Mismanaged in the Past would it be right to Care for it now? If a Man has made Bad Bargains in the Past has he any right to be Shrewder now? If a Man has leased Property for Nothing in the Past ought he to charge Rent now just because he can get it? Oh, how Unjust, that some should Pay while others are getting for Nothing! Let Us wait until all Pay and meanwhile let in Our own Friends for the Good Things." And they salaamed respectfully and Winked one to another.

MORAL:—This fable teaches that if You are accused of being a Knave You can always pretend that You are only a Fool.

A SLIGHT MISTAKE.

The course of the commander of the Italian cruiser Giovanni Bausan, on blockade duty at La Guayra, is only explainable on the hypothesis that he is a misfit. Italy is a junior partner in the blockade of the Venezuelan coasts, and such powers as the commander of the Bausan has are merely permitted to him and delegated by the senior partners, Germany and Great Britain. It is his duty, in the vernacular of petty politics, to "go along," and nothing more. The senior partners had decided that the American Red D line steamer Caracas should be permitted to enter port with her cargo and discharge it. The English commander, who had been conducting the blockade with the Italian ship, then sailed elsewhere, leaving the Italian commander on guard. The latter evidently misconceived his powers and authority and when his chief, the English officer, was out of hail, reversed the order to permit the Caracas to go by and declared he intended to capture her if she appeared. After an hour's argument Lieutenant Commander Diehl of the United States gunboat Marietta convinced him that he was making a mistake, and the status quo ante was re-established. The Caracas sailed into La Guayra and the incident was happily closed.

The Italian commander's safer second thought under pressure saved trouble for himself, as it is improbable that the Italian government would have involved itself in a grave international complication by supporting him in his untenable position. However, it must be said that he had much encouragement in the early attitude of the English and German naval commanders toward things afloat and ashore, before formal blockade was declared, their respective governments having found it necessary to restrain them on representations from the United States. The English in this were the chief offenders, the Germans being newer in the business of ruling the wave and the adjacent shores within reach of naval guns. The Italian ought to have informed himself, however, of the present rules and limitations of the game under the terms of the blockade proclamation, instead of permitting his ardor to be fired by a bad example. As an officer and a gentleman one important duty of his position is to keep his government out of unnecessary trouble, and probably he will be more careful hereafter along that line than he was previous to his interview with Lieutenant Commander Diehl. Also the representatives of the senior partners in the debt-collecting business will doubtless give him some friendly counsel that will impress him that they are the whole thing.

Italy is a friendly power, with whom we desire amicable relations, and, doubtless, Italy desires friendly relations with us. If the commander of the Bausan seeks to obstruct these relations it is probable he is the only one who will suffer unpleasant consequences.

THE TOY MISSION.

Charity, even at the blessed Christmas time, is apt to be perfunctory and to find its inspiration in general maxims rather than in specific deeds. A rarely beautiful exception is to be found in the toy mission founded in this city eight years ago by Maj. R. W. A. Simmons. The work has gone on in gentle, unobtrusive fashion until many hundreds of children in whom the season of gift-giving only awakened vague longings have been brought within the circle of its beneficence. It does not seem an act of great importance to give a child a simple toy at Christmas time, but this view can only be held by those people who never came in contact with the child life of the poor and of the slums. Many of these have enough to eat, perhaps, though there are thousands who go hungry, but the sentiment touched in the child heart by the gift of something that lies within the scope of child-longing at Christmas time is an act as uplifting and helpful as a more practical beneficence. The croakers who say the poor children should be fed and that charity ends there are poor judges of human nature. It is by such work as that of the toy mission that all the world is brought into kinship at the Christmas time. To feed and to clothe, you have the poor with you on 364 days of the year, and the duty is none the less binding, because on the 365th day, when that day is Christmas, some effort is made to lift the child nearer to the common heart by a gift that will appeal to its tiny heart.

The toy mission is a simple but gracious benefactor. It seeks to do good along lines that deny and set aside all suspicion in the child's mind of perfunctory and affectionless charity. For these reasons, as well as for the genuine joy and delight it carries to thousands of unfortunate children, it should receive cordial and liberal support.

MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT.

The difficulties encountered and the disappointments experienced in the effort to secure good government in Pittsburgh naturally excite the derision of the Times. Its ideal of municipal government is that which we used to have when the heads of "the organization" helped themselves to any franchises they wanted for themselves and their friends, and all negotiations over such matters were conducted as private business affairs. In the period which the Times regards—and with substantial reasons from its point of view—as the golden age of municipal rule, the details of the various railroad ordinances and the lighting franchises now pending would have been quietly settled by private conference, and when the deals had been concluded ordinances embodying them would have gone smoothly and expeditiously through councils.

We admit that the old method was superior in decorum over the present practice of opening up such matters to public discussion. The confusion and discord over which the Times makes merry at the expense of The Gazette, did not exist under the system of rule of which it has been the consistent advocate, and would probably disappear again if the old system could be re-established. That system is based on the idea that a few capable men should really constitute the government, appointing their agents to the various executive and legislative positions provided for in the legal form of government, and compensating themselves for their time and trouble in managing municipal affairs by appropriating any value attaching to the use of public property. Fortunes have been accumulated in Pittsburgh in carrying on this species of government, which is certainly better than no government at all, and in the case of Pittsburgh was animated by a spirit of enterprise that redounded to the public benefit. Claims of superior decorum and efficiency can be made in its behalf, the argument in its favor being essentially that on which advocates of monarchical government claim for it superiority over republican institutions.

The Times holds that no other kind of municipal government is really practical; that without it the city council becomes a mob, administration loses consistency and purpose, and the city business simply drifts along instead of being carried along, and it accuses The Gazette of being "perniciously active in helping to precipitate the experiment in this city." We do not agree with the Times in holding that the only choice is between ring rule and anarchy. We do not agree with the Times in taking such a low view of Pittsburgh citizenship as to hold that good government cannot be secured here upon republican principles. Every other city in the country has shut off franchise grabbing and now utilizes public resources for the public benefit. There is still room for improvement in this respect in the most advanced municipal government, but the plight of Pittsburgh is peculiar in that the principle has yet to be adopted here.

It was not to be expected that the system of municipal looting so long established here and so enormously lucrative in its opportunities could be overthrown without a long and desperate struggle. A new charter framed on correct principles of government, would have been an immense help. A thorough reform of this kind has effected a revolution in the character and method of Baltimore politics. But the new charter prepared for Pittsburgh was emasculated at Harrisburg, and the present frame of government is defective at vital points, so that there is still a latitude of procedure affording abundant opportunities to corruption. It is, however, a great gain that public attention is directed to the evils, and the agitation will go on until satisfactory results are obtained.

In the not unexpected death of the Most Rev. Frederick Temple, archbishop of Canterbury, England loses not only a theologian of profound learning and a churchman of great influence and dignity, but a preacher of rare power, whose hold upon the public through his pulpit utterances has been continuous since he assumed holy orders. It was to the ministry of the truth in spoken sermon that the archbishop devoted his greatest energies, and for this reason he has never been conspicuous, either as an author or church statesman, though several volumes of lectures, essays and sermons have been given the world from his hand. Primarily a scholar he was still so thoroughly in sympathy with the practical side of life that his services as prelate of the Church of England have been valuable and enduring in every phase of his useful calling.

In the grand windup of Christmas buying today it is the fellow who has hesitated who will likely be lost.

His long time liberality to Pittsburghers proves that Santa Claus is not afraid to tackle soft coal.

Thursday is an unlucky day this year for the turkey.

HOARDED DOLLARS FIND NEW OWNERS

Old Scrooge Crowded to the Wall by the Throngs of Christmas Shoppers.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.

With only one more day of Christmas shopping New York went nearly wild today. The districts wherein the big department stores are selling off thousands and thousands of dollars' worth of goods every day are so crowded tonight that it is almost impossible to get along. It is not hard to believe the estimate of one manager of a big store that the total sum taken in at the principal stores for the Christmas shopping weeks will be not less than $14,000,000. That seems a lot of money for one city to spend in Christmas souvenirs, but when one sees the streams of people moving up and down the thoroughfares where the stores are the inclination rather is to place the estimate still higher. It is interesting to note that such of the big stores as close at 6 o'clock in the evening are said by their managers to do as large business as in the old days when their closing time was 10 o'clock throughout the Christmas holiday shopping. Many of the stores remain open to that time as it is. The argument is that many people have no time to shop in the daytime but must wait until the day's work is over for the pleasureable task of selecting gifts for their relatives. However this may be, it is evident that there is no lack of customers anywhere, and if tomorrow is as busy a day as the day before Christmas usually is, then there will be such a rush as will drive clerks to the extreme of their patience and politeness. It is noticed that the tendency of shoppers this year is to buy more expensive articles than they did in the past. Jewelry in particular has been purchased in large quantities and some business men say they never knew a Christmas when so many diamonds were bought. The stones are always popular, of course, but it is not every year that the masses can afford to purchase them. Whether they can afford it or not, they have bought a great many of them this year. Well, the agony is nearly over and considering everything, we all look pretty well, notwithstanding what we have passed through.

Bicycle as a Remedy.

Bicycles seem to have taken a new lease of life. More wheels have been seen on the uptown streets this month than for several months previous, in spite of the fact that the weather in December has not been good always. It seems to be realized that after all there is no method of getting about quickly and cheaply that beats bicycling. The crowds on the "L" and the surface cars have had something to do with the bicycle revival, too. It is so much easier for a young man or woman to pedal down to business and back than to bother with the cars, and when the weather allows there are many clerks and stenographers that bring out their wheels and place themselves in an independent attitude toward the transit companies. There are streets all the way from Harlem to the general postoffice which are comparatively free of traffic and the bicyclist of either sex who knows how to manage a wheel can ride up and down pretty comfortably and safely as well.

Mayor Low Chooses Greene.

New York is thankful that the police commissionership has been settled at last. Mayor Low today announced that Gen. Francis Vinton Greene would be the next commissioner. It was known yesterday that either Greene or John Eustis would be chosen, with probabilities favoring Greene. Satisfaction with the appointment is general. The new commissioner has a good Philippine record, has held various important public offices, and is president of the Republican county committee. He knows men and affairs in New York and is as strict a disciplinarian as even Capt. Piper, the second deputy commissioner. Now it is to be hoped that police affairs will be better regulated than they have been and that there will be less complaint about "the finest police force in the world."

Plenty of Christmas Turkeys.

Turkeys are plentiful in the markets apparently, but prices are high. Twenty-five cents a pound is not an uncommon figure for prime birds and hardly any are to be procured at less than 20 cents. There are more of them than there were at Thanksgiving, but the prices are as high. Geese and other poultry, preferred by some people to turkey for Christmas fare, are correspondingly expensive. In the face of all this there is not likely to be a turkey famine and the chances are that the markets will be swept clean by tomorrow evening. Most Christmas things are higher than they were last year, however. Christmas trees cost more and vegetables are up. It is all ascribed to the general prosperity. Good times mean high prices, naturally, and one must not complain if he has to pay 20 to 25 cents a pound for turkey so long as he is making more than enough extra to pay the difference between this and last year's figures.

Biddie Play Condemned.

The New York critics "roast" "A Desperate Chance," the drama founded on the Bloomer brothers escapade, with singular unanimity. Most plays produced in this city, no matter how bad they may be, find some champion among the critics, merely because those gentry cannot bear to agree with each other. But this time they all unite in giving Theodore Kremer's latest production as many sockdolagers as they can in the space of a column of print. And yet the drama is not so very bad—for what it is intended to be. The obvious intent of the managers is to make money out of the morbid interest in the Pittsburgh sensation and Kremer has written what he was paid for. Just a business proposition, you see. What Pittsburgh will think of "A Desperate Chance," if it should be produced there, I do not know. But I do not doubt that it will tell a good opulent tale at the box office.

De Reszke's Place Filled.

Grand opera at the Metropolitan opera house has been going along steadily in the midst of the sensational dramas and extraordinary comedies and spectacles at the other theaters. Although Maurice Grau is laid up temporarily, the Metropolitan is open for all its scheduled performances, the selection of the operas and the quality of work done in them is excellent. With the tenors that Maurice Grau has at his disposal this season, including Alvarez and Anthes, we actually have not missed the soulful Jean De Reszke very much, after all.

Apartment Dog Will Stay.

In the midst of the turmoil over the crowded cars New York has lost sight of its crusade against dogs in apartment houses. The "purp" will stay, most likely. A reminder of this is in the day's news, for a dog catcher picked up a bull terrier without a collar and the dog took the catcher's ear in his mouth and ate it. The animal belonged to a lawyer who produced the collar and license tag of his dog and defied the dog catcher to do anything but get his ear cauterized. Dogs may be a nuisance in apartment houses, but so many people have dog pets that they will surely hold the fort.

Carnegie's Health Good.

Although Andrew Carnegie did not attend the dinner of the New England society at the Waldorf-Astoria last night to respond to the toast of "Scotland and New England in Faith and Deed," there is no reason to believe that he is ill. Indisposition was given as the reason for his not being at the dinner. But it must be remembered that Mr. Carnegie is watched very closely by his physician and members of his family, who restrict his movements much more than he would do himself. Last night was raw and it was only the part of wisdom to prevent Mr. Carnegie going out into the night air, considering that he had an attack of illness less than a month ago. Moreover, he had been out driving in the afternoon. As a matter of fact, he is very well, and if he does not go out three or four nights a week to submit himself to draughts and other dangerous visitations, why the precaution is only such as is taken by thousands of men with more robust constitutions even than Andrew Carnegie.

Rush at the Postoffice.

Complaints are heard about the delay in the mails here, as everywhere, but the tremendous work done by the postoffice department in New York is worthy of all praise. Papers are not delivered so promptly as letters, of course. Some papers have been held back for two or three days at intervals in the course of the last week and New Yorkers who like to get their Pittsburgh Gazette regularly have been inconvenienced. Take it on the whole, however, the service has been little short of wonderful, especially when it is considered that the need of another general postoffice uptown has been notorious for at least a decade. We shall get that after a while, perhaps. In the meantime, the authorities are doing as well as they can, which is very well indeed.

Anxious Time Coming to an End.

For the first time since his illness has been downright deadly, Cornelius Vanderbilt today was spoken of as likely to recover. There is no certainty with such a treacherous ailment as typhoid, but the course of the case warrants hope. The physicians are still reticent, but they unbent today sufficiently to say that if no complications intervene the patient will most likely become well and strong in due time. It has been an anxious time for the Vanderbilt family, reflected to a considerable extent in the public, but it is hoped that the end of it is in sight.

"Easy Boss" Not Consulted.

The political gossip of the hour is the possibility that Mayor Low and Senator T. C. Platt are not on friendly terms. It is remarked that Platt was not asked to suggest anyone for police commissioner and that Gov. Odell was. This is not in accordance with what was believed yesterday. It was said then that Platt had expressed himself satisfied with the man that the mayor would appoint—Gen. Greene—and that all was harmony. The senator does not appear to be angry, even if the mayor had slighted him, as reported. Platt is too astute a man to show his feelings when there is nothing to be gained by the revelation. Besides, Gov. Odell is still a friend of the senator's so far as the public knows, and the mayor is a friend to everybody, of course.

Christmas Giving in Wall Street.

It is said that Wall street will give away a million dollars in gifts to employes tomorrow. Brokers are generous fellows, as a rule, and their good nature is always very much in evidence at Christmas time. Among the particular gifts mentioned are those said to have been bestowed by J. P. Morgan. It is reported that he has given a bonus to each of his clerks. At all events, a million dollars in Christmas gifts in such a small area as the financial district of New York is a goodly sum, no matter how it may be apportioned.

GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers were registered at New York hotels today:

WALDORF-ASTORIA.
J. Worthington. G. Stewart.
S. S. Mehard. G. L. Roberts.
D. G. Stewart.

MANHATTAN.
William T. Edwards. N. C. Banks.
Mrs. Wm. T. Edwards.

GRAND.
Joseph L. Bradfield.

HOLLAND.
C. Dreifus. W. A. Way.

GILSEY.
Robert Strange. Mrs. Robert Strange.

ALBEMARLE.
J. E. Schwartz. Mrs. J. E. Schwartz.

HERALD SQUARE.
J. H. Graham.

CADILLAC.
G. H. Buseby.

BROADWAY CENTRAL.
J. N. Briggs.

Andrew Carnegie's Good Sense.

From the Cleveland Leader.

The prompt denial by Andrew Carnegie of the story to the effect that he had planned to give to his little daughter a home worth $2,000,000 as a Christmas present, does credit to the good sense of that shrewd business man.

In the denial of the story it is said "that nothing could be less in harmony with the ideas of Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie than that their daughter should now, or ever, be burdened with great wealth. Least of all is she to be taught while in youth that she has 'great expectations' or any expectations at all beyond a moderate competence. Neither of her parents deems great wealth as desirable possession for the morning of life, or for any part of life, except as it may be employed for the advancement of the human race."

In view of this statement is can be ventured that young Miss Carnegie will be brought up as she ought to be; that she will be taught to regard wealth as an instrument for the doing of good, and that she will get from her parents none of the vulgar ostentation which sometimes accompanies the possession of riches. Thus a good example will be set for other fathers and mothers who have long possessed wealth or have suddenly acquired riches. But it is a fact that the children of some of the richest men in the United States have been reared in the utmost simplicity, as regards dress, education and amusements.

Andrew Carnegie is a hard-headed, sensible man, and he is to be congratulated on his latest exhibition of good sense.

Senator Hoar as an Orator.

From the Boston Herald.

Senator Hoar's position is almost unique in the circumstances that he has waited for his advanced years before acquiring wide fame as an orator. He was long prior to this recognized as a senator of a high order of debating talent, but in eloquence and elegance of speech his mind has ripened of recent years. Nature never gifted him with the orator's voice, but this drawback has been less apparent as the attention of audiences has been concentrated on what he says. Mr. Hoar's humor also has had freer play of late on occasions in which his feelings have not been so earnestly appealed to. We can call to mind no man now in public life who writes so gracefully as he, or whose more careful passages of speech are so effective as rhetoric. He has just delivered two addresses in Washington on commemorative occasions that have attracted general attention, and he is announced to speak in Philadelphia on the 22d inst. In Chicago on Washington's birthday, and a little later in Indianapolis.

Prosperity of Agriculture.

From the Atlanta Constitution.

The grand army of American farmers is sowing and reaping prosperity, and taking a day off occasionally to go to the circus, laugh at the clown and forget there are any politicians nearer the earth than the dog star. The real farmers of this nation are outside of the large speculative industries, the most solidly prosperous and independent body of our citizens. They are established in that greatest of enterprises—the supply of the breadstuffs of humanity—and as other industries and occupations multiply, the importance and profitableness of farming increases continually.

There Are Others.

From the New York Tribune.

A professional beggar who died in a Canadian hospital owned property valued at nearly $100,000. This is an extreme instance of imposture and swindling, but there can be no reasonable doubt that hundreds of habitual mendicants in this city have snug sums laid aside for rainy days. Indiscriminate bounty to whining and unfortunate applicants for alms is mischievous and degrading in its results.

Tillman's New Role.

From the Indianapolis Journal.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina, in an interview opposes the proposed colonization of negroes in the Philippines on humanitarian grounds. This is the first time the "pitchfork" senator has appeared in the role of philanthropist.

PERSONALS

"The blockading of the ports of Venezuela by the warships of England and Germany will have a bad effect on the leather trade of the United States during the coming year," remarked C. L. Martine of Boston last night, while passing through the city to Chicago. "Many of the large shoe manufacturing establishments of the New England states get their supply of sole leather from South America and have it shipped from Venezuelan ports. A great many consignments are now held up by England and Germany."

"We have been shipping 100,000 staves monthly since 1888, and cutting them at the same rate since that time," said C. Uber at the Seventh Avenue hotel. "We have a forest of 500 acres of white oak near Clendenin, W. Va., and 50 men are engaged all the year round in getting out the timber for us. The majority of our staves are shipped to Cleveland, but large quantities are sent into New York state."

"It was raining in Texas when I left there, and had been raining for three weeks previous," said R. H. Lee, Jr., a representative of the Nernst Lamp Company, at the Hotel Henry. "The rivers were overflowing their banks and the cotton crop was in danger. The oil discovery at Beaumont has made Texas a second Pennsylvania, and land has increased in our neighborhood nearly 300 per cent."

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

Among those at the leading hotels last night were the following persons from nearby towns:

Victoria—J. A. Dinsmy, Plum, W. Va.; C. M. Wilson, Kittanning; O. F. Swettzer, Akron.

Lincoln—W. W. Wilson, Clarion; James C. Frazer, Morgantown.

St. Charles—Cyrus Underwood, Jamestown, N. Y.; D. W. Ritchie, New Castle; W. G. Graham, Evans City; John Chapman, Fairmont; Edward Haly, Scottdale; C. G. Lutz, Fayette City; J. W. Porter, Brownsville; J. E. Campbell, Butler; J. S. Weaver, Ardora, Pa.

Newell's—A. R. Davis, J. A. Cadwallader, Parkersburg; W. R. Scott, Wheeling; F. J. Dixon, Blairsville.

Griswold—H. C. Murphy, Apollo; W. R. Miedich, Punxsutawney; T. A. Miller, Sistersville.

Monongahela—H. H. Llax, Myersdale; J. W. Kerr, Franklin; W. P. Young, Somerset; P. S. Neumyer, Connellsville.

Anderson—W. S. Rinehart, Smith Fonler, East Liverpool.

Seventh Avenue—J. H. Caldwell, Titusville; D. B. Ferriss, Uniontown; W. W. Reed, Johnstown; E. L. Fleming, Oil City; G. D. Thompson, Brownsville; B. M. Clerk, Brookville.

Henry—W. C. Wood, Connellsville; H. J. Elliott, Brownsville; S. R. Burke, Alliance; W. R. Jacoby, Brownsville; G. A. Harwood, Mansfield.

Duquesne—C. W. Bradford, Washington; J. A. Henne, Marietta; P. J. Fickinger, Conneaut.

THE DEATH ROLL.

William McKee Lorenz.

William McKee Lorenz, principal owner and manager of the American Manufacturer and Iron World and well known in business and club circles in this city, died yesterday at Mt. Clemens, the health resort near Detroit, Mich. He had spent the greater part of the past year there for the benefit of his health, which had been poor for several years. Mr. Lorenz was about 35 years of age. He was a scion of one of the oldest families of this city, his father being one of the pioneer glass manufacturers of Pittsburgh. His mother survives. She married again after the death of the senior Mr. Lorenz and is now the wife of W. J. Morgan of the East End. Mr. Lorenz was a nephew of J. Sellers McKee. A brother, Sidney Lorenz, of this city, also survives. Mr. Lorenz was a prominent member of the Duquesne club for a number of years. He was first lieutenant of a company in the Eighteenth regiment for some time under Col. Norman Smith. Among his best-known business enterprises was the East Side Land Company, which promoted the prosperous town of Monessen. Some time ago he sold out his holdings to W. H. Donner. He bought the American Manufacturer and Iron World about five years ago and had retained active charge of it.

John Bolte.

John Bolte, one of the best known and probably the greatest bromide enlarger in the United States, the only man who ever handled flashlight negatives of wild game successfully, died yesterday at his home, No. 35 Washington avenue. Mr. Bolte had thousands of friends among the artists of this country and Europe, and many noted painters came to Pittsburgh to have him make bromide enlargements of their works, so that they could preserve a copy. He was the man who successfully turned out flashlights of wild game taken by Congressman George Shiras III., which now hang in many prominent homes of this country and at Shibe castle and in the White House at Washington. He invented many things in photography, and the art owes much of its scientific attainments to him. He was loved by all who knew him for his good deeds and his art. Mr. Bolte had been ill for a long time. He leaves a widow, Carrie, nee Holder, but no children.

Obituary Notes.

Joel S. Coe died yesterday afternoon at the home of John D. Bailey, No. 382 California avenue, Allegheny. The interment will take place at Brownsville, Pa.

Mrs. Catherine Kuhns, wife of Daniel Kuhns, died at Greensburg, Pa., yesterday of apoplexy. She was 74 years old and is survived by one son and four daughters.

Peter Kenny of New Castle, Pa., died at his home yesterday. He was born in Slippery Rock township, Lawrence county, Pa., and spent his entire life there. He is survived by his widow and several children.

John D. Strous, 79 years old, a pioneer grocer of Pittsburgh and one of the organizers of the Demmler Tin Plate Company at McKeesport, is dead at his home in Midland avenue, Carnegie. His widow, a daughter and a son, Henry G. Strous, survive.

Word was received in Pittsburgh yesterday of the death at Stevens City, Va., of James Pitcock. He was 70 years old and a former resident of Pittsburgh. Dudley Pitcock, superintendent of the Demmler plant of the American Tin Plate Company, is a son.

Former United States Senator Dwight M. Sabin of Minnesota died suddenly yesterday in his apartments at the Auditorium annex, Chicago. He had been a guest of the hotel since November 2, being accompanied by his wife and daughter. He was stricken with heart failure.

W. L. Sharpe, the oldest resident of of Steubenville, O., died yesterday, aged 94. He was the pioneer manufacturer of stoves and hardware in Eastern Ohio. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church for half a century. In anti-slavery days he was connected with the underground railroad.

The Senate's Treaty Rights.

From the Baltimore American.

Some doubt has been expressed concerning the power of the senate to ratify the Cuban reciprocity treaty independently of the house, the argument being that by the provisions of the Constitution the house has the origination in all matters of revenue. This is a very old question, almost as old as the government itself, but, so far as congress is concerned, it has been practically decided a number of times. The senate has the right to ratify any treaty. This is given by the Constitution.

With regard to the Cuban treaty, the only matters in which the house is officially interested are the reductions of revenues. They are not matters which require action by the house; that is, they can be enforced without further legislation. If the theory of the absolute authority of the senate over treaties, no matter what may be their subjects, is accepted by the government, it will only be necessary to direct the customs officials after the treaty has been ratified to enforce its provisions, and that is what will probably be done. It is scarcely worth while to take further notice of a question which has been under discussion for a century, and which has always been decided in practically the same way. It is almost entirely academical, while the needs of Cuba are actual and pressing, and the United States has been distressingly dilatory in fulfilling its obligations.

Pennsylvania Divorces Good.

From the Philadelphia Press.

Judge Frazer, in Pittsburgh, has declared that a Dakota divorce is not valid. This is a decision in favor of home industries, and the Pennsylvania-made divorce ought to be good enough for anybody who wants such a thing.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Concerning the report that Gen. Charles Dick may be a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor of Ohio, the Washington Post (Ind. Dem.) contains this authoritative announcement: "Members of the Ohio delegation and Republicans generally in congress have been interested in the announcement that Gen. Charles Dick, who represents the Nineteenth Ohio district, had determined to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor next year. Gen. Dick said yesterday that no such announcement had been authorized by him; that the matter, in fact, has not been decided in his own mind, and will not be until he goes home for the Christmas holidays. Upon his return to Ohio he will take up the subject with Republican leaders in the state and an announcement either that he will or will not be a candidate probably will follow."

The "lily white" movement in the south is not approved by the Washington Star (Ind. Rep.), which says: "The North Carolinians, Republicans and Democrats alike, are making it quite uncomfortable for Mr. Pritchard. His explanation of the November election returns in that state satisfies nobody. His figures are questioned, and his reasoning is pronounced most unsound. Quite a controversy has arisen, and may continue for some time. The topic is one of wide interest. What has been attempted in North Carolina in the way of reorganizing the Republican party has been attempted in several other southern states, and the result is anything but encouraging to the leaders of the movement. There was so small a muster of the party in those states last month that it scarcely gave excuse for existence. That way lies extermination. How soon, therefore, and with what energy, shall a return to broader views and fairer methods be ordered and executed?"

Discussing the proposed trust legislation, the Philadelphia North American (Ren. Rep.) finds marked similarity in the views of Attorney General Knox and Senator Hoar. It says: "Since Senator Hoar has announced that he will shortly present to the senate an anti-trust bill, it is interesting to recall how nearly his views and those of Attorney General Knox are in accord. Mr. Knox's speech at Pittsburgh on October 14 is the most authoritative statement on the trust question emanating from administration sources. It represents in a more explicit and comprehensive way the opinions put forth by President Roosevelt on the platform and in his messages. In the first place, Mr. Knox held that congress has ample powers to provide for the regulation of 'unreasonable and injurious' combinations in restraint of trade, and that monopolies in articles necessary for the existence of the people are 'crimes against the common law.' Senator Hoar likewise declared in a speech at Boston on October 22 that the national power had not been exhausted in framing the Sherman act, and that there exists 'no necessity for any constitutional amendment.'"

The trying ways of politics beset Mr. Hemenway of Indiana, according to the Washington Post (Ind. Dem.) as follows: "Mr. Hemenway's announcement that he will be a candidate for governor of Indiana two years hence is fraught with significance for several other Republicans. It is generally recognized that he will be chairman of the committee on appropriations in the next congress, and with the tremendous totals appropriations are assuming, that office has more importance than it ever had before. While not regarded as desirable as the ways and means chairmanship, it is really a more potent place. The appropriations chairmanship has been identified with many illustrious careers. In forsaking congress after serving as chairman, Mr. Hemenway would be leaving a career

DIVULGED HIS SECRET TO WOMAN

She Told the Police and John Mahoney Is Now Behind the Bars.

PROPOSED BURGLARIES

She Was to Spot the Houses and He Was to Do the Work, Plunder Being Divided—Burglaries Are Numerous.

The East End police have made what they believe to be an important capture. The credit of the arrest belongs to Inspector Robert S. Gray, who took into custody shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of Mrs. Kate Hawk, in Lexington avenue, John Mahoney, who says he lives in Allegheny, and locked him up on a suspicious charge.

Mahoney, it is alleged, and so he is said to have claimed, is one of the slickest thieves in the country, and was just planning to turn several tricks in East End when the police dropped on to his intentions and locked him up.

The woman, whom the police say served a term in the Western penitentiary, is responsibly for the arrest, and is said to have "peached" before Mahoney had time to carry out any of his well laid plans.

According to the woman's story she met Mahoney in Fifth avenue yesterday. He grew quite friendly with her on short acquaintance, and it is claimed told her he was a professional thief and had operated in nearly every prominent city in the country.

Proposed Partnership.

He proposed to the woman that he do some porch climbing in East End, and asked her to "spot" the places and he would do the work and divide the booty. The proposition was agreed to, but the woman, fearing another term in the penitentiary, tipped off the police and Mahoney came to grief.

Mahoney is a waiter by occupation and claims to be working in Anderson street, Allegheny. He says he lives near Boston. He has "drifted" mostly, while in this section, and has worked extra at the Hotel Lincoln, the Schenley and other well-known hostelries.

He says he has known the woman for some years and that he was only joking with her when he broached the porch-climbing subject.

The woman, the police claim, served time in the Western penitentiary for burglary. She was sent up from the East Liberty station about two years ago, and convicted on a charge of stealing women's clothes and other articles from East End homes. The police say the woman was a good thief and when arrested a wagonload of plunder was found concealed in her home.

Others Were at Work.

At an early hour yesterday morning thieves entered the home of Samuel Young, in Grafton street, East End, and were chased away after they succeeded in stealing an overcoat belonging to Mr. Young and his pocketbook containing a few dollars.

When Mr. Young was aroused he stepped into a hallway and saw the front windows opening on his porch roof were open and there was a light in his parlor. He went back to his bedroom and pulled a burglar alarm, which connects with the residence of Louis Kable.

Mr. Kable hastened to the Young residence just in time to see two men leave the front part of the house and disappear in the darkness. The thieves entered the house by climbing to the roof of the porch and "jimmied" a hall window. The matter was reported to the police but no trace of the crooks has been found.

Burglaries Are Numerous.

Burglars made strong but unsuccessful attempts to enter the shirt store of L. Wilson, No. 432 Penn avenue, yesterday morning. They jimmied a rear window shutter and tried to pry off a steel bar on the window. The bar was bent and twisted, but did not break.

A thief snatched a woman's pocketbook last night as she stepped off a Second avenue car at Lytle street. The pocketbook contained $25. John Brady of Forward avenue was arrested a few hours later on suspicion of being the thief by Policeman Otto Reinhart.

The city detectives were asked by John McFee of Bridgeville to catch William Higgins, whom he suspected of robbing his house. When Higgins came to Bridgeville three months ago he was a tramp, but McFee took him in as a boarder and he got work on the Wabash railroad construction. Yesterday morning, McFee says, Higgins got up, stole $158 from other boarders, a watch, an overcoat and a pair of shoes and disappeared. He is believed to be in Pittsburgh.

GETS ONLY $2.50 PER WEEK.

Salesman Charged With Theft Gave That as Excuse.

Loretta Blakely of Aspinwall was arrested in a 5 and 10 cent store in Fifth avenue last night and locked up in the Central police station. The woman was employed as a saleswoman and is alleged to have held out money on sales made by her during the day. When searched at the police station $2 in nickels was found on her person.

"Well, what do you expect," she said at the police station, "when you consider we girls only get $2.50 a week?" The other girls are holding out, but I will die before I'll tell on them." She is 24 years old and her husband deserted her about a year ago. She will be arraigned for a hearing this morning, before Police Magistrate Bernard McKenna.

MINERS WILL ASK ADVANCE.

The New Scale Will Provide for Higher Wages.

The mine operators of Western Pennsylvania will have some knotty problems to solve after the opening of the new year. An advance in wages will be demanded by the miners' union. Scales are now being prepared, largely in advance of those signed last year.

The miners will also demand a change in the basing rate from pick to machine mining. The annual district convention will be held on January 12, and the delegates are said to have been instructed to vote for a large increase over present rates. Within the past five years the miners' pay has been advanced about 47 per cent, and the operators say that an advance under the present outlook for the next year would not be justifiable.

Property Transfers Limited.

The board of city assessors decided yesterday that they would not permit transfers of property to be entered on their books after January 15. This action was taken in order to close the books. The assessors' report must be ready for the use of councils in preparing the annual appropriation and tax levying ordinances and it will keep the office force busy to do this work between January 15 and February 1.

To Banquet Borough Officers.

The Homestead Business Men's association at a meeting last evening decided to hold the annual banquet on the evening of January 30. A committee was appointed to arrange the matter. The heads of the manufacturing enterprises and the borough officers of Homestead, Munhall and West Homestead will be entertained.

SCOTT PROPOSES SIX-YEAR LIMIT

Thinks Civil Service Employes Should Be Re-examined Periodically.

FAIR PLAY ALL AROUND

West Virginia Senator Introduces Bill Embodying His Views on the Disposition of Infirm and Incompetent Government Clerks

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.

Senator Scott of West Virginia has introduced a bill amending the civil service laws so that appointments under the civil service will be for a period of six years. At the end of this term each employe must be re-examined to determine his fitness for reappointment. In discussing his bill, Senator Scott said:

"The bill is not intended to destroy the civil service as it is today, but to correct or cure a great many evils, such as I found when I was commissioner of internal revenue and such as have been found by every executive officer in the departments. There are a great many incompetent clerks, incompetent from age and other reasons. The only way to rid the service of them now is to prefer charges. This is a step which any chief of division hesitates to take. Under the present system a civil pension list is being built up that within the next 10 or 15 years will be as large if not larger than the present system of pensioning old soldiers. Every clerk in the departments expects to be taken care of until he dies or is unable to work.

"Now, this bill of mine gives a department an opportunity every six years to weed out its incompetent clerks and fill their places with those more energetic and vigorous. A clerk may be re-examined and appointed as often as the department and the needs of the service require. In this way the best service can be secured.

"The bill gives every American citizen an opportunity to enter the government service. As it is now, many persons who have as much right to be employed by the government as those now employed are shut out. Take the case of a West Virginian, for example. There an old soldier, who has passed the civil service examination and stands almost at the head of the list of West Virginians. He cannot secure an appointment as messenger because there are 30 states that are behind West Virginia in the percentage of appointments, and on the list from which his name would be certified were a messenger called for, there are over 300 names ahead of his. Should my bill become a law, every two years there would be a re-examination of one-third of the clerks and the incompetent ones could be dropped and new ones put in. In this way the young man or the young woman would stand some chance of securing an appointment.

"There is nothing in my bill at all destroying the idol of the great number of mugwump worshipers, the civil service law. I think it makes it more practical and better. If it were in force now, the commissioner of pensions would have been spared the unpleasant duty the other day of publicly naming a number of clerks as being old and incompetent and reducing their salaries preparatory, as the the clerks think, of their final discharge." L. W. STEAYER.

MORE EVIDENCE FILED.

Senator Penrose Places Additional Charges Against Clayton Before the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania today forwarded to President Roosevelt some evidence bearing upon the charges made last winter against Ambassador Clayton, the representative of the United States in Mexico. The new evidence is in the form of affidavits that Ambassador Clayton is the owner of certain specified shares in the Carmen Mining Company, a Philadelphia corporation doing a mining business in Mexico.

The charges were received at the executive offices, but as is the case with all such matters they were transmitted at once to the state department. Whether the additional evidence submitted by Senator Penrose will result in the reopening of the case, which attracted considerable attention in and out of congress last winter, is not known.

BEHEADED BY TRAIN.

Insane New York Lawyer Escapes from Guardians and Commits Suicide.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Griswold G. Martin, a lawyer, the son of very wealthy parents, who has been under restraint in a private house at No. 519 Pelham road in the Bronx, was decapitated today by an eastbound freight train on the Harlem river branch of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. It is supposed that he placed his head on the rails and waited for the train to run over him.

Rather than send their son to an asylum or a sanitarium the parents of the young man, who was but 32 years old, rented the house on Pelham road and employed two men to keep constant watch over him. Their vigilance must have slackened last night, for early this morning their charge was missing.

CAPITAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Association of Economic Entomologists will hold its 15th annual meeting here next Friday and Saturday.

Rear Admiral Frederic Rodgers has been granted three months leave of absence, which he will spend with his family on the continent.

Leave of absence has been granted to J. A. H. Crossland, United States minister resident and consul general to Liberia. Upon his return to this country he will tender his resignation.

More patents have been issued to residents of England than to people in any other country of Europe. The patents issued to English inventors during the year numbered 996, with Germany next in rank, with 749.

The secretary of state is preparing a response to a special message to the president from the dowager empress of China. This message was entrusted to Rear Admiral Frederick Rodgers, recently detached from command of the Asiatic station, and was delivered to the president last week.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

Pure and rich blood carries new life to every part of the body. You are invigorated, strengthened, refreshed. That's what Ayer's Sarsaparilla will do for you. Take Ayer's Pills for constipation, sick-headache, biliousness. Sold for 60 years. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

GREAT TRANSFER OF OIL PROPERTY

William L. Russell Buys 6,500 Acres in Trenton Rock Development.

$558,000 IS THE PRICE

Territory Has Daily Production of 600 Barrels from 273 Wells. Largest Deal in the History of the Lima Field.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

LIMA, O., Dec. 23.—The most gigantic oil deal that has ever been made in the Trenton rock field was closed in this city this afternoon, when the final documents were signed that formally transferred 6,500 acres of producing oil territory from five local companies to William L. Russell for a consideration of $558,000.

The properties disposed of were a portion of the holdings of the Shawnee Oil Company, Kerr, Speilacy & Jones, Kerr, Closser & VanClave, the Auglaize Oil Company and the Morris Oil Company, all of Lima. All of the property sold is within the limits of the Lima oil field and is distributed throughout the developed territory of Allen, Auglaize and Van Wert counties. The property embraces about 6,500 acres of territory, with 273 producing wells and an average daily production of about 600 barrels of crude oil.

All veterans of the Trenton rock field agree that the deal closed is a larger one than any previously consumated in this territory in its history, being even larger than the sale of the Ohio Oil Company's holdings to the Standard Oil Company in 1888.

Shot End Off Chinaman's Nose.

Herman Unger, a Homestead barber, early yesterday morning discovered a man attempting to get into his room in Dickson street. Unger fired a bullet through the window and frightened the intruder away, but at the same time almost killed Yu Wah, a Chinaman next door. Wah was putting in a window when the bullet took the end off his nose. Another Chinaman was ironing inside and the bullet passed within a foot of him. Both were so badly frightened that they put out the lights. The bullet had been deflected by a piece of iron.

Mesta Employes Banqueted

The Mesta Machine Company tendered its annual banquet to the office force and heads of departments at the plant in West Homestead yesterday. President George Mesta and several of the employes made addresses. The Homestead Library orchestra furnished the music.

To neglect the hair is to lose youth and comeliness. Save it with Parker's Hair Balsam. Hindercorns, the best cure for corns. 15cts.

MAHIN'S BUSINESS EXCEEDS A MILLION DOLLARS.

A Chicago Advertising Agency That Breaks All Records in Its Fourth Year.

The Mahin Advertising Company will occupy the entire eighth floor of the Williams building, 200 Monroe street, Chicago, on December 27—just four years to the day from the time this young agency commenced business with five persons.

Now it employs 110 persons, only 13 of whom are solicitors, the rest being necessary to execute all the details of advertising in the high grade style instituted and maintained by the Mahin Advertising Company.

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Two hundred and ninety-one active advertisers place their orders with the Mahin Advertising Company.

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This is the time when you are thinking about a

PIANO FOR CHRISTMAS.

The Vital question is, Where can I get the best value for the money expended? The magnitude of our stock and the prices we quote will be convincing if you will investigate.

Come in and let us help you decide the matter.

We have Pianos from $50 up to $1,000.

Organs from $20 up.

and whatever you buy here you can depend upon it being as we represent it.

We are exclusive agents for the world-renowned

Mathushek & Sons
The Beautiful
Jacob Bros.
The Artistic
James & Holmstrom
and many other well-known and reliable

PIANOS

WE HAVE SLIGHTLY USED

Steinway, Chickering, Weber, Everett, Vose & Sons,

PIANOS

AT ONE-HALF FIRST COST.

Open evenings till Xmas.

Alex. Ross Piano Co.,
714 PENN AVENUE,
7th door from 7th St.

Stinson, Kennedy & Co.
Successors to Halpin, Kennedy & Co.

SANITARY PLUMBING

FINE GAS AND ELECTRIC FIXTURES. INSTANTANEOUS WATER HEATERS.

No. 213 Wood St., Pittsburgh

L. D. 'Phone, Court 741.

Open Evenings.

Here's Your Chance

Any pair of our $3.00 $3.50 or $4.00 Hand sewed—Monkey skin—Lizard Alligator or Russia Calf Opera Slippers

Today

At $2.00 a Pair

Special prices on all other lines of Slippers for today's selling—

75c $1.00 $1.25 $1.50

W. M. LAIRD CO.
402 to 408 Market St.
431 to 437 Smithfield St.

J. B. MURDOCH & CO.
Successors to A. M. & J. B. Murdoch.
TEL. 129. FLORAL EMBLEMS. 510 Smithfield St.

DEATHS.

BELL—On Monday, December 22, 1902, SAMUEL BELL, aged 72 years.

Funeral services at his home, near Saline, Pa., on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment at Homewood cemetery.

BLISS—Suddenly, on Monday, December 22, 1902, at 5 p. m., at her residence, Ohio township, MRS. ELIZABETH BLISS, in her 58th year.

Funeral services on Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Carriages will leave end of Perrysville avenue car line at 8 a. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

BOLTE—On Tuesday, December 23, 1902, at 12:45 p. m., JOHN BOLTE, beloved husband of Carrie Bolte (nee Holdey).

Notice of funeral later.

CROMBIE—Suddenly, on Monday, December 22, 1902, at 5:10 p. m., DR. JOHN B. CROMBIE.

Funeral services at his late residence, 500 North avenue, Allegheny, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

GOE—On Tuesday, December 23, 1902, at 12:45 p. m., JOEL S. GOE.

Funeral services at the residence of John D. Bailey, No. 362 California avenue, Allegheny, on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment private at Brownsville, Pa.

KENNEDY—On Monday, December 22, 1902, at 9 a. m., ANNIE E., wife of Thomas J. Kennedy, aged 57 years.

Funeral on Wednesday, December 24, at 2 p. m., from the residence of her son-in-law, O. J. Taylor, No. 10 Perry street. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

NEEB—On Tuesday, December 23, 1902, at 10 p. m., at her residence, No. 210 Stockton avenue, West, Allegheny, MRS. ELIZABETH NEEB (nee Voegtly,) widow of William Neeb, aged 75 years 10 months and 1 day.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

NOLL—On Monday, December 22, 1902, at 12 o'clock noon, WILLIAM LOUIS, only (infant) son of Harry L. and Katherine Noll (nee Yeckel), aged 5 months 6 days.

Funeral private, from parents' residence, No. 51 Beltzhoover avenue, Thirty-eighth ward, Pittsburgh, this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

STROUS—On Monday, December 22, 1902, at 10 p. m., JOHN D. STROUS, in his 70th year.

Funeral services at his late residence, Midland street, Carnegie, Pa., this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Interment private.

SNODGRASS—On Tuesday, December 23, 1902, at 1:05 a. m., MARGARET, daughter of John Snodgrass of Bellevue.

Funeral services at her late residence, Lincoln and Sheridan avenues, Bellevue, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private.

SPENCER—On Tuesday, December 23, 1902, at 6 a. m., ALICE KERR, youngest child of Arthur R. and Nellie N. Spencer, aged 18 months.

Funeral services at the family residence, No. 1919 St. Clair terrace, Allegheny, on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

WALKER—On Tuesday, December 23, at 6 a. m., at McKeesport, Pa., MISS GRACE WALKER, aged 32 years.

Notice of funeral in evening papers.

FLORAL EMBLEMS.
A. M. MURDOCH,
Tel. 2222. 250 Fifth Avenue.

J. HENRY LONG, Funeral Director and Embalmer.
Private Chapel, 510 Sandusky St. Carriages for Hire.
Tel. North Bell 15; P. & A. 52, Bellevue.
Pa. Office No. 295 Lincoln ave. Phone 224-L.

99 Per Ct.—Pure
Banner Baking Powder
Always the Best

Medical Lake Soap

Contains a Salt Centuries Old.

which the most renowned skin specialists in the world say is the greatest skin food, beautifier and preserver ever known. This soap is made of the purest base with salts incorporated—just right—effect on the skin immediate—pleasing—beneficial.

IT'S DIFFERENT FROM ANY OTHER SOAP MADE. MAKES THE SKIN SOFT AND CLEAR AS AN INFANT'S CHEEK.

25c a Cake at Drug Stores.

Indian Head Brand—the only genuine. Take no substitute.

MEDICAL LAKE SALTS MFG. CO.
Sole Manufacturers, 150 Nassau St., New York, and Spokane, Wash.

SOLOMON AND RUBEN
SMITHFIELD AND DIAMOND STS

STORE OPEN TONIGHT UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK.

CLOSED ALL DAY CHRISTMAS.

Today's buyers will find many cut prices on Jewelry, Fancy Goods, Xmas Novelties, Toys, Dolls, Etc.

Buy Furs Right.

LOWNESS of PRICE,
HIGHNESS of QUALITY,
CORRECTNESS of STYLE, in

HOLIDAY FURS

are the inducements we hold out to the buyers of handsome gifts for women.

No matter what price we quote you always find that price and the goods "Right."

Brown Marten Scarfs, $6.00 and up.
Mink Sable Scarfs, $7.50 and up.
Sable Fox Scarfs, $15.00 to $40.00.
Blue Lynx Scarfs, $18.00 to $60.00.
Blue Lynx Muffs, $20.00 to $30.00.
Black Lynx Scarfs, $20.00 to $65.00.
Black Lynx Muffs, $20.00 to $30.00.
Brown Marten Sets, $25.00 to $55.00.
Sable and Isabella Fox Sets, $27 to $65.
Men's and Women's Umbrellas.
Men's and Women's Gloves.
Men's Silk and Opera Hats.
Men's Hat Cases, etc.

Special attention directed to our

Persian Coats
Made to Order

Plain Coats, $125.00.
Chinchilla Collar and Revers, $175.00.

Come in and talk with us and see the goods.

McCORD & CO., 509 WOOD ST. 509

"You can live without learning and live without books—But where is the man who can live without cooks.

Good Things for Your Christmas Dinner

Cleaned Currants,
Seeded and Seedless Raisins,
Citron,
Orange and Lemon Peel,
Plum Pudding,
Atmore's, Heinz and Gordon and Dilworth's Mince Meat.
Confectioners' Sugar for Home-made Candy,
California Fruits in Cans and Glasses,
Oneida Community Fruits,
Vegetables and Berries in Glasses or Cans,
Fine French Peas,
California Asparagus in Glasses or Cans,
Stuffed Mangoes,
Sweet Pickles,
Brandied Fruits,
Olives,
Catsups, Sauces and Relishes,
Poultry Dressing,
Canned Soups—every kind,
Candied Cherries, Figs and Dates,
Popcorn,
Fine Mixed Candies and Nuts,
Fancy Table Raisins,
Candy Toys for Tree Decorations,
Cakes and Crackers.

Everything the store provides has quality to please exacting patronage. Don't think we're high priced; you'll find us just the opposite. Extra facilities for quick delivery. Both 'phones.

WM. HASLAGE & SON,
18 DIAMOND SQUARE. "About Fifty Feet from Fifth."

CLEARANCE SALE OF
Christmas Furs
At Remarkably Low Prices.

Ladies' Cluster Scarfs—In Sable, Marten and Blended Mink.....$1.75 to $5.00
Ladies' Cluster Scarfs—large tails in Sable Raccoon, Brown Marten and Isabella Fox, $4.00, $5.00 to $10.00
Fine Cluster Scarfs—extra long—in handsome dark Fox, Sable Raccoon and Alaska Fox—large bushy tails, $10.00, $15.00 to $25.00
Children's Fur Sets—In Angora and Persian Lamb, $1.25 to $3.00
Children's Marten and Sable Fur Sets....$4.00 to $7.50

Nothing more acceptable for a Christmas present than a nice Fur Scarf or a Fur Set.

H. J. LYNCH,
438-440 Market St.

Only a few of the

APOLLO PIANO PLAYERS

left. The extraordinary demand for this Musical Marvel has just about used up our stock. But for the busy man, who has not had much time for shopping, we have a few Apollo Players which can be delivered in time for Xmas.

10,000 pieces to select from.

Knabe, Miller, Opera, Straube, Crown pianos.

KLEBER. 60 Years in Pittsburgh. 221-223—Fifth Ave.

FACTORY
501-503-505-507 W. 50th St., NEW YORK.

MOVED

We are now open for business in our new store, 815-817 Liberty Ave., and have many useful things on exhibition appropriate for a Christmas present.

We desire to call particular attention to our "Blastic" Book Cases, as being the most convenient and economical for office or library. They come in units. Oak or Mahogany.

Baker Office Furniture Co.
815-817 LIBERTY AVE.
Formerly at 308 Wood Street.

It's easy to haul a big load up a big hill if you grease the wagon wheels with
CAICA Axle Grease
Sold everywhere. Made by STANDARD OIL CO.

B. & B.

Today and evening ends 1902 Christmas business—the greatest ever known.

Today late buyers will have great opportunity to get medium to fine Holiday pieces on a reduced price basis greatly to their advantage.

We propose, with goods and prices, to make this the greatest Sale Day of the season.

Understand, please, not everything is reduced, but many lines are, and most of the reductions are in the fine higher cost items—Art Potteries, Cloisonne, a few medium size pieces of Carrara Marble, Lamps, Pictures, Pyrographic Art Wood Pieces—some rare specimens of the Wood Art that were $25.00 at $15.00.

All the lower price Pyro Art Pieces—$1.50 to $12.00—reduced in proportion.

About fifty pieces Cloisonne—no two alike—

Large $15.00 pieces $10.00.
$5.00 pieces, $3.50—
$4.00 pieces $2.50

—gives an idea of the range—and the way they're to be sold today.

A thousand Men's Silk Mufflers, 50c to $5.00.

Large lot of fine Silk Mufflers—lines where the stock was too large—reduced to $1.50, $1.75, $2.00 and $2.50.

Fine Lamps all reduced—were $5.00 to $13.50—today $3.50 to $10.00.

If you don't get in today come this evening—stock's large—and there will be opportunity to get something good and pretty and save a lot of money.

Never was there a greater opportunity for good useful things people want at 25, 50, 75c, $1.00 to $5.00.

Remarkable stock of finest Furs—$2.50 to $1800.00.

Special lot of Sable Fox Boas—large handsome ones with two large brushes (tails) at the remarkable price of $7.50.

Men's and Boys' Fur Gloves and Fur lined Gloves—medium to finest.

Coachmen's Fur Gloves, Capes and Fur Robes.

Men's and Boys' newest Rain Coats and Overcoats.

Fine luxurious White Blankets—splendid useful presents—and they're reduced.

$18.00 Blankets—$15.00.

$15.00 Blankets, $12.00.

Lot of $7.00 Blankets, $6.00 a pair—save a dollar and get something fine.

All goods bought today will be delivered today.

STORE OPEN TONIGHT.

BOGGS & BUHL,
ALLEGHENY.

For Christmas Gifts start Savings Accounts and into each stocking slip a little Bank Book from the

DIAMOND SAVINGS BANK
CORNER FIFTH AVE. & LIBERTY

$1 opens an account which earns 4% interest. Try it

Open Saturday Evenings

It's Worth While

Looking into the propositions the Provident Life and Trust Company make in the way of Life Insurance. Our premium rate is lower than any other first-class participating company.

The Provident Life & Trust Company,
GRAHAM C. WELLS, Gen'l Agt.
210 Lewis Bldg. Sixth and Smithfield.

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OLIVER Iron & Steel Company,

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Soft Welding Steel and Iron, Bolts for Railways, Wagons and Agricultural Implements,

Telegraph and Telephone Pole Supplies.

General Offices at SOUTH TENTH STREET WORKS, PITTSBURGH.

AMUSEMENTS.

GRAND—THE NEW STOCK COMPANY.
Beginning Mon., Mat., Dec. 22d.
THE XMAS PANTOMIME Little Red Riding Hood.
300 People on the Stage.
Seat Sale for Next Week Opens Today.

Bijou Bar. Mats. Mon. Wed & Sat. Best reserved seats 25c and 50c. This Week: A RAGGED HERO
Extra Holiday Matinee Xmas.
Next Week—WARD & VOKES in the 2d edition of "THE HEAD WAITERS."

AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN TONIGHT. MATS. WED., THURS. (Xmas) and SAT. MR. WEEDON GROSSMITH in "THE NIGHT OF THE PARTY."
Next Week—Mats. New Year's & Sat. Seat Sale Thursday.
Charles Frohman presents, WILLIAM GILLETTE
For the Last Time Here in SHERLOCK HOLMES.
Special Notice—During Mr. Gillette's engagement the curtain will rise evenings at 8, and 2 p. m. at the matinee. After 8:25 evenings and 2:25 at the matinee no one will be seated until the end of the first act.

EMPIRE—UP-TOWN (COLLINS AVE.) Reached by all Street Car Lines THIS WEEK The MAJOR AND THE JUDGE.
Matinees Wednesday, Xmas and Saturday.
New Year's week—"Bolivar's Busy Day."

DUQUESNE—Mats. Tues., Thurs. and Saturday.
Night Prices for Christmas Matinee.
IMRO FOX AND HIS VAUDEVILLE STARS

Harry Williams' ACADEMY.
Matinee Today 2: Evening 8.
THE BRIGADIER BURLESQUERS.
Note—Night Prices, Christmas Matinee.

AVENUE THEATER—Continuous Vaudeville.
From 1:30 to 10:30 P. M. Daily.
FOURTEEN HIGH-CLASS ACTS.
Popular Prices: 15, 25, 35, 50 cents.

DUQUESNE GARDENS
Open Every Morning Now.
SKATING FREE SKATES

SOCIETY

THE Farmington society will have its Christmas tree and Christmas treat this afternoon. This morning the young women who compose the society will meet in Cyclorama hall, Beech street and Irwin avenue, Allegheny, to decorate the tree. Upon it will be hung a toy for every one of the 400 children who are invited to the treat this afternoon. It will be a very large tree, and will be covered with candles and colored balls. Christmas fairies and the gifts for the children. The Farmington society has its treat in the afternoon, so that Santa Claus, who is expected to be very busy after 6 o'clock, when he starts on his round of visits to all the little girls and boys in Pittsburgh and Allegheny, will have plenty of time to spend in Cyclorama hall. Archie Denny has promised that he will be there.

Last year it was his brother, Harmar Denny, who is just home from St. Paul's school in Concord, N. H., who stood sponsor for the appearance of Santa Claus.

The Farmington society today will send a Christmas dinner to each of 35 poor families whose needs have come to the attention of the district nurse which the society employs to work among the poor and sick on the North Side. The dinner will consist of a turkey or chicken, cranberries, fruit and vegetables and nourishing food, wines and jellies for the sick. At Cyclorama hall 400 of the poor little girls and boys of Allegheny, who are known to the nurse, Miss Cooper, will have a treat of ice cream and cake, fruit of various kinds and a box of candy. Before they leave the hall each one will be given a toy. The society has also provided clothing for many who are in need; coal has been secured for others.

The Farmington society is composed of the young women and girls in the two cities who have attended the fashionable boarding school at Farmington, Conn. Each year the society admits into its membership the debutantes who have spent some of their school days at Farmington, and the role of its members comprises many of the young matrons and the younger belles of the smart social circles of the two cities. Miss Belle Chalfant is president of the society; Miss Rebecca Darlington, vice president; Mrs. William C. Robinson, secretary; Miss Sarah Ricketson, treasurer, and among the other well-known members are Mrs. John J. Walter Rhodes, the Misses Rhodes, Mrs. James Harold Childs, Miss Virginia Johnston and Miss Laura McGinley. The debutantes admitted to the society this winter are Miss Gertrude Childs, Miss Louise Kay and Miss Elizabeth Sellers. The society now numbers over 40 members.

Ball for Miss Laura G. Smith.

In striking contrast to the ball on the previous night, was that given last evening by Mr. and Mrs. Persifor F. Smith at the Pittsburgh club, for their debutante daughter, Miss Laura G. Smith. Miss Smith was introduced to society a few weeks ago, on the occasion of the large afternoon reception and tea given by Mrs. Smith at their home in Ellsworth avenue, Shadyside, and she has been the guest of honor at frequent entertainments of the early winter season.

The ball last evening was a brilliant one. It was a Christmas ball and the decorations throughout the ballroom and the supper rooms upon the second floor of the club house, were entirely in red and green. They were very effectively arranged the decorations beginning at the entrance to the club house, the long straight staircase being lined with green, myrtle and smilax, tied with huge bows of red ribbons covering the handrail. The foyer was lined with palms and the lights were prettily shaded in red. In the ballroom was a profusion of southern smilax with tall, stately palms, the decorations being a happy combination of garlands of smilax and holly with red ribbons upon the walls, graceful wreaths of the trailing vines encircling the snowy pillars, while smilax, Christmas bells and overflowing horns of plenty, formed an overhead decoration. Palms, ferns and poinsettia appeared upon the stage and an effective arrangement of the electric lighting added to the beauty and brilliance of the scene.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith and the debutante received together, the hostess wearing a handsome costume of white crepe and lace, the debutante appearing in a ball gown of white tulle. There were four favor figures danced, two figures preceding the supper and two following. Jarvis Geer led the first two figures, Miss Young the third and Clinton L. Childs the fourth. The favors were pretty and dainty and included flowers and Christmas novelties. The guests were confined principally to the circle of young society people, including a number of the recent brides and bridegrooms, and the girls and men of the last two or three seasons.

Allegheny "Prep" School Dance.

The seniors of the Allegheny Preparatory school gave their annual Christmas dance last night in the school building, in Lincoln avenue. It was a very pretty affair and was in the manner of a reunion of the present students in the school and those who in September left it for some eastern boarding school. The dance, which was conducted in the gymnasium, had for its patronesses the wives of the trustees of the school, Mrs. Harry Darlington, Mrs. William Pierce, Mrs. James Wood Scully, Mrs. Thomas K. Bakewell, Mrs. William R. Thompson, Mrs. Francis J. Torrance and Mrs. Samuel Kelly. As Mrs. Darlington is in mourning she did not attend. The gymnasium was festively decorated in laurel, evergreen and southern smilax, while red ribbons, the school banners in red and black and the American flag which was hung from the balcony, completed the decorative scheme. Several figures of the cotillion were danced by the girls and boys, and pretty little favors were distributed by Mrs. Harmar D. Denny and Mrs. Thomas Bakewell.

The committee of the seniors having charge of the arrangements for the dance included the committee on invitations: Miss Florence Gregg, Miss Clara Gregg, Miss Jessie Marchner and Miss Ruth Zimmers; decorations, Miss Jane Torrance, Miss Marie Aiken, Miss Jane Sloan, Miss Louise Evans, Miss Elsie Stephenson, Miss Jean Elphinstone and Miss Marie Kiefer; refreshments, Miss Marjorie Wheeler, Miss Elizabeth Grace and Miss Frances McCord.

Another Debutante Dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Murry A. Verner and Dr. Alexander L. Verner gave a dance last evening at the Verner home "Cathalyce Park," in Penn avenue, Homewood, the guest of honor being Miss Sara Verner Lloyd, the debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lloyd. It was quite a large house dance, and the guests included many of the debutantes and the younger college and school set, and a few of the personal friends of the host and hostess. Receiving with Mr. and Mrs. Verner, Dr. A. L. Verner and Miss Lloyd, were Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lloyd. Mrs. Verner wore an exquisite gown of crepe de chine, while the debutante was in white chiffon and lace. The house, a large and commodious mansion, was handsomely decorated in crimson and green. The porches were enclosed and a screen of palms and ropes of southern smilax formed an effective wall decoration. Throughout the house appeared holly and smilax, while bells of red immortelles and crepe paper, and balls of holly and mistletoe added to the brilliant artistic arrangement. A large number of the girls and boys who have returned from school for the Christmas holidays were in attendance. Miss Lloyd made her formal social debut in November, being one of the first of the debutantes to enter society this season.

Lyon-Campbell.

A pretty home wedding took place yesterday afternoon in West Park, McKees Rocks, when Miss Laura M. Lyon, the daughter of Major Robert W. Lyon, and Dr. William M. Campbell of McKees Rocks, were united in marriage. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. James Messick, at 5 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. M. Campbell of Tyrone, the father of the groom. The bridesmaid was Miss Sarah Armstrong of Espien, and A. L. Campbell, a brother of the groom, was best man. Both the bride and her bridesmaid were dressed in white organdie, the former carrying white roses and lilies of the valley, and the latter carried white roses. About 30 guests were present, including the most intimate friends and relatives of the young couple. The house was decorated with Christmas greens and the wedding supper was held immediately after the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell left last night for the east on their wedding trip, and on their return will reside in Chartiers avenue, McKees Rocks. Dr. Campbell is a prominent physician of the borough and is formerly of Harrisburg.

Box Parties at the Grand.

Box parties at the Christmas pantomime at the Grand, yesterday afternoon, included Mrs. N. A. Dalzell, Mrs. J. N. Anderson, Mrs. Grant Anderson, Mrs. Duff, Miss Frances and Miss Katherine Dalzell, Miss Marion and Miss Jeannette Anderson, John Dalzell and William Anderson.

Another box party was given by Mrs. Thomas Morrison. At the evening performance there were a number of large theater parties, including one from Johnstown and another from East Liverpool.

Out-of-Town Weddings.

The marriage of Miss Jean Mae Laird, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Laird, of Delia, Westmoreland county, and Dr. Charles Kimball of New York, took place yesterday at the home of the bride. They will reside in New York. Mrs. Kimball is a niece of Mrs. William Hope of Allegheny.

Roy C. Rayser, a well-known young man of New Castle, and Miss Rose Terrill, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Terrill of Pulaski, this state, will be married on Christmas day.

To Teach Fencing and Cooking.

A cooking school department for women and fencing classes for both sexes are to be introduced in the Carnegie club of Braddock at the beginning of the new year. The club management has secured permission from the Braddock school board to use the domestic science department in the Third ward school building for the cooking school, and Miss Helen Westgate has been engaged to instruct the classes. Dr. Julius Pohlman, an Italian, will teach fencing.

Exhibition of Lantern Slides.

An exhibition of 100 lantern slides of the Akron, Reading and Tacoma clubs in the photographic interchange, was given last evening in Carnegie Lecture hall under the auspices of the photographic section of the Academy of Science and Art. The slides which the Pittsburgh photographers of the Academy of Science and Art sent two years ago to the interchange have been returned, having visited all of the clubs composing the interchange.

Entertained at Euchre.

Miss Russell Purman, daughter of Dr. John Purman of Homestead, last evening gave an elaborate entertainment at her home, Eighth avenue and West street, Homestead, for the members of the Fortnightly Euchre club. The prize winners were Miss Lead Tunstall, Miss Sue Bullock, Amos Cole and William Parker.

Wedding Invitations Out.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Browarsky have issued invitations for the wedding of their daughter, Miss Lilian Browarsky, and Harry Harris, on Tuesday evening, January 6, at 6 o'clock, in Braun's auditorium, South Highland avenue, East End.

An Engagement Announced.

Mrs. F. B. Reamer of the East End announces the engagement of her daughter, Dorothy Emma, to Robert Betridge Murray of Wilkinsburg. The wedding will be an event of early spring.

Stole 700 Pennies.

The scales at the Sewickley station of the Ft. Wayne railroad were broken by a cobblestone early yesterday morning and about 700 pennies taken.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Edwin J. Wolfe	New Commerstown, O.
Laura B. Woods	Brackenridge
Frank M. Grant	Washington Co.
Anna M. Miller	Finleyville
Harry Craven	Allegheny
Alice M. Bachman	Allegheny
Cresson S. Donber	Allegheny
Mabel E. Floyd	Allegheny
Henry Johnston	Pittsburgh
Alice Myles	Pittsburgh
Hermann Goldtrom	Pittsburgh
Sadie Goldstein	Pittsburgh
John M. Hipple	Allegheny
Clara R. DeMoss	Allegheny
Harry Goff	McKeesport
Pearl Scott	McKeesport
Charles S. Hostetman	Allegheny
Stella A McClure	Allegheny
A. M. Hoffman, Jr.	Allegheny
Ella Hegeman	Allegheny
Edward E. Eakin	Allegheny
Mary Elliott	Allegheny
John Stegman	Beaver County
Anna Weber	Crescent
August Rehman	Bridgeville
Mary J. Harley	Greggs
P. M. McCaffrey	McDonald
Hattie Bank	Sturgeon
Thomas P. Trimble	Pittsburgh
Sarah J. McGuire	Pittsburgh
George L. Martz	Penn
Lydia A. Pitman	Allegheny County
Silas Painter	Turtle Creek
Katie Richardson	Homestead
Clement T. Miley	Brackenridge
Katie Wachter	Allegheny
Cora M. Woods	Brackenridge
Morris Jones	Tarentum
Catharine Gibson	Natrona
George Bradley	Pittsburgh
Alice C. Collins	Pittsburgh
John Reiss	Pittsburgh
Anna Wendall	Verona
Frank T. Mackey	Allegheny County
Pearl Howell	Allegheny County
Thomas G. Ront	Pittsburgh
Lena Frey	Pittsburgh
Henry Patterson	Ravenna, O.
E. Estella Speakman	Rices Landing
Christ Baierbach	Allegheny
Helen ostler	Allegheny
Anson S. Nichols	Allegheny
Carrie B. Doughlas	Allegheny
S. N. Freshwater	Monroeville
Eliza E. Schellenger	Monroeville
Frank F. Guy	Crafton
May P. Harrison	Crafton
Frank Donnelly	Youngstown
Katherine Brown	Braddock
G. S. Griffin	Allegheny
Hattie G. Banks	Pittsburgh
Archie P. Agnew	Beaver County
Nellie I. Robs	Beaver County
Dr. Frank L. Swallow	Greensburg
Lizzie S. Lauffer	Greensburg
George F. Moyle	Rankin
Della Puterbaugh	Pittsburgh
Walter Todd	McKees Rocks
Ida L. Watson	Carnegie
Howard I. Baker	Brookeld, O.
Jess C. McMichael	McKeesport
J. A. Calhoun	Newcomerstown, O.
Winnefred L. King	Sheridan
Robert E. Smith	Pittsburgh
Minnie Schroth	Tarentum
James Lammle	Pittsburgh
Annie E. Williams	Pittsburgh
John Eshenbaugh	Allegheny County
Ida L. Hartman	Allegheny County
Albert Neuman	Allegheny
Elizabeth Steffen	Allegheny
Guy Anderson	Allegheny
Emma Gudykunst	Allegheny
Otto Hallberg	Wilkinsburg
Hulda Carlson	Jefferson County
M. W. Kroghan	Pittsburgh
Addie Nicholson	Pittsburgh

MISSOURI RECOGNIZES RIGHT TO ORGANIZE

Law Does Not Deprive Either Labor or Capital of This, Say Judges.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—"Capitalists have a right to do as they please with their money, so long as they do not become public charges.

"A man without capital may labor or refuse to labor, so long as he keeps out of the poorhouse.

"Capitalists have the right to combine capital in productive enterprises and by lawful competition drive individual producers and small ones out of business.

"Laborers and artisans have the right to form unions and fight this competition of capitalists by lawful means."

This statement of the right of combination on the part of capital and labor was handed down by Judge C. C. Bland of the court of appeals today in a decision in favor of Joseph E. Walsh, who sought an injunction to prevent members of the Mester Plumbers' association from combining in the refusal to sell him supplies because he was not a member.

Judges Barclay and Goode concurred in the decision, which was a reversal of a decision in Judge Wood's court.

The appellate court, while holding that the association should be restrained, as Walsh asked, refused to dissolve the organization as he had requested. It was stated that the association was a lawful one.

SILVERTOWN DELAYED.

Hope of Celebrating Laying of Cable in Honolulu on Christmas Day Is Dispelled.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—All hope that the cable ship Silvertown will arrive at Honolulu during Christmas Day is dispelled by the following cablegram from the Associated Press correspondent on board the vessel:

"During the past 24 hours 125 knots of cable have been laid, making the total up to noon today 1,677 knots. The weather is partly clear. A strong southwesterly breeze has somewhat retarded progress. Latitude 96 north, longitude 148.24 west."

MAY END IN MURDER.

Victim of Drunken Brawl Is in Critical Condition.

Stephen Frey and his son Stephen, Jr., were arrested last night and locked up in No. 4 police station to await the result of injuries of Thomas Hanritty, of No. 41 Junella street, who was badly cut in a fight Monday night and is lying at the Mercy hospital in a critical condition.

Hanritty was hit on the head with a beer bottle and cut in the breast, face and back. He was drinking with a number of other Hungarians at the time of the quarrel. The police learned yesterday that Frey and his son were the men who did the cutting. Both deny that they had knives, but admit having used a beer bottle in the fight.

PRETENDER TO THRONE DECAPITATES SOLDIERS

TANGIER, MOROCCO, Dec. 23.—The imperial troops have been totally defeated after a sanguinary battle with the rebels headed by the pretender to the throne. The latter decapitated 40 of the sultan's soldiers. Their heads are now mounted on his tent. Imperial reinforcements have been sent to attempt the capture of Taza, the headquarters of the pretender. The sultan has ordered his soldiers to spare no one at Taza in spite of the advice of the chiefs who counseled him not to indulge in excesses.

YOUNG MRS. CLARK IS SERIOUSLY ILL

BUTTE, MONT., Dec. 23.—Mrs. W. A. Clark, Jr., daughter-in-law of Senator Clark of Montana and mother of the newly born heir to the Clark millions, is not expected to live. Six physicians were in constant consultation at her bedside today and a noted specialist is coming from Denver on a special train.

Boxed Ten Rounds to a Draw.

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The 10-round boxing bout between Harry Lemon of Cleveland and Lawrence Lutz of Beaver Falls, was declared a draw. Both were standing when the ten rounds were up. The honors were about even, except in the tenth round, when Lemon seemed to have slightly the best of it. Two messages were read from the ringside, one from Grant Nixon of Cleveland, who challenged the winner, and one from Theodore Essman of Australia, who challenged any heavyweight in Western Pennsylvania.

Christmas Cheer for the Sick.

Patients in the Homeopathic hospital will be given their annual Christmas entertainment this evening at the hospital. A tree about 18 feet high and beautifully decorated and lighted has been set up, and this evening every person, both patient and attendant, at the hospital, will be given a Christmas remembrance. The Temple quartet will be present to furnish the music. The entertainment is paid for out of contributions received for the purpose and will be in charge of Superintendent Bechtel.

Hennessey Still Doing Good.

Michael Hennessey, the big brakeman who gave 100 pieces of his own skin to be grafted on Francis E. Carlson, a boy victim of the Sheridan disaster, is still unremitting in his efforts to help his young friend, whose life was saved by Hennessey's fortitude. For the benefit of the boy, whose mother is in humble circumstances, Hennessey is managing a raffle of a gold watch, to be held at No. 2857 Penn avenue, tomorrow.

Citizens Ticket in Carnegie.

The Citizens party in Carnegie has selected their ticket: Burgess, W. C. Dean; treasurer, George Rosser; justice of the peace, Col. W. J. Glenn; collector of taxes, E. F. Portman; council, First ward, James H. Hammell; Second ward, John Hayes; school directors, E. M. Meyers, George Founce.

Peace Reigns in Haiti.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 23.—Gen. Nord, the newly elected president of the Haitian republic, took the oath to support the constitution today. Tranquility reigns throughout the republic.

WOMAN'S APPEAL DENIED.

Attorney General's Office Decides Against Ousting Insurance Company from Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Deputy Attorney General Fleitz today furnished Insurance Commissioner Durham with a written opinion advising him not to grant the petition of Mrs. Amanda Daly of Philadelphia asking Durham to revoke the license of the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., to transact business in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Daly brought an action against the company in Philadelphia in July, 1900, to recover $5,000 upon an accident policy which had been issued on the life of her husband, who, it was alleged, died at the West Penn hospital from the effects of injuries received by an accident in a Pittsburgh hotel.

Durham referred the matter to the attorney general's office for the purpose of settling the question whether the removal of an action brought by a citizen of this state in the local courts to recover upon a policy of insurance issued by a foreign insurance company licensed to do business in this state is such a violation of the constitution and laws of the commonwealth as to justify the commissioner in revoking the company's license.

GIFT FOR VANDERBILT.

Gov. Odell Signs Sick Man's Commission as First Lieutenant in Twelfth Regiment.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Gov. Odell is Santa Claus to Cornelius Vanderbilt. The governor has signed the commission to Mr. Vanderbilt as first lieutenant of the Twelfth regiment, to which he was unanimously elected a short time since, having passed an exceptionally severe examination with an unusually high average. Two days later the young lieutenant became ill. When he is able to receive it his commission will be handed to him by Col. Dyer, to whom it has been sent by Santa Claus Odell.

Slowly but steadily gaining ground, but very weak and with a temperature that persists in remaining above the danger point, is a summary of the reports of the condition of Mr. Vanderbilt today.

LAW BOARD ORGANIZES.

Thomas S. Brown of Pittsburgh One of Several Attorneys Added to Commission.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The recently appointed state board of law examiners met today in the office of Chairman Samuel Dickson and it was announced that the supreme court had approved the appointment of the following assistant examiners: James L. Meredith, Williamsport; William R. Fisher, Philadelphia; Thomas S. Brown, Pittsburgh; John M. Harris, Scranton; Paul Z. Kunkel, Harrisburg. Charles L. McKeehan of this city was elected secretary and treasurer.

It was decided to hold the preliminary and final examinations on the second Tuesday in June and December of the coming year.

TABLES ARE TURNED; YOUNG WOMAN SHOOTS

JACKSON, TENN., Dec. 23.—Today at Toone station Miss Lizzie Hillhouse, a prominent young woman, shot and fatally wounded a young man named Marsh. She called Marsh from the breakfast table, seized him by the arm, and with her disengaged hand fired six shots from a revolver into his body. Marsh, it is claimed, was to have married at an early date.

ROOSEVELTS ADMIRE SOTHERN'S "HAMLET"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by Commissioner of Civil Service Proctor and Mrs. Proctor, Miss Ethel Roosevelt and Kermit Roosevelt, occupied a box at the New National theater tonight to witness Mr. E. H. Sothern's performance of "Hamlet." They frequently applauded the strong features of Sothern's acting.

500 QUARANTINED AT PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Chief Good, of the health bureau, today directed that between 400 and 500 men employed on the reservoir, be quarantined. One of the men was found this morning to have the smallpox, and the others have been exposed. Most of the men are colored.

Miner Fatally Injured.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Mike Craven, employed by the Baltimore & Ohio Coal Company at its Edna mines, is at the Westmoreland hospital in a dying condition. Craven was carrying a keg of blasting powder to his room in the mines this morning. His pit lamp was burning and the powder ignited. There was a terrific explosion that shook down tons of roof coal and Craven was almost buried beneath the fall.

First Load of Ore Received.

BUFFALO, Dec. 23.—The Lackawanna Steel Company, the largest independent steel manufacturing concern in the world, received its first consignment of ore from upper lake points today, amid a great celebration at the water front.

Mrs. George Henry Lewes dead.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The death is announced of Mrs. Lewis, widow of George Henry Lewis, who in 1854 formed a union with George Eliot (Mary Ann Evans).

Boy Killed by a Train.

SHARON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—George Heidrick, aged 13, was run down by a train in the Erie railroad yards above town last night, and died from his injuries before the hospital was reached.

FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER DESSERT.

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Dissolve one package of any flavor Jell-O in one pint of boiling water, and after it has about half hardened beat up thoroughly with an egg beater, add the white of one egg thoroughly beaten and stir the whole together until they are mixed; pour into cups and set in a cool place until firm. This may be served with whipped cream or custard.

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MANNINGTON CITIZEN MURDERED AND ROBBED

Thieves Blew Up House With Dynamite and Escaped With $1,000 in Cash.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

MANNINGTON, W. VA., Dec. 24.—At 9 o'clock last night burglars blew up the residence of Robert Floyd, about two miles from this place on a lonely road, and robbed the occupants of $1,000. Floyd was killed by being crushed almost beyond recognition by falling timbers, his wife sustaining two fractures of one of her arms. The servant girl, whose name is not known, was seriously injured.

Floyd was proprietor of the leading hotel of Mannington and the robbers are supposed to have learned that he carried the money home with him today. The explosion of the dynamite tore a big hole in one end of the house and the furniture is piled up in confusion.

A posse was organized and a hunt for the murderers is now in progress.

BURGLAR A NOVICE.

Poverty Drives Cleveland Clothes Presser to Crime and He Is Captured by the Watchman.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Driven to desperation by poverty facing himself and two weeks' bride, George Guarnieri, a clothes presser, borrowed a revolver and turned burglar. He was captured in the establishment last night where he has been recently employed. The night watchman captured him and held him for 14 hours with a loaded revolver at his head waiting for the attaches of the place to come to their morning work.

The prisoner told the police judge that he had lost his position a day after his wedding and that his funds had become exhausted. His wife became ill and he decided to steal just once. His wife had no knowledge of his plans when he left her to make his bold attempt.

DEATH CHEATS PRISONER.

Man Drops Dead in Tombs Prison When About to Be Released.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Just before he would have been discharged from custody, James R. Brown, 55 years old, died today in front of his cell in the Tombs prison. Brown had been incarcerated since election day, November 4, when he was arrested for illegal voting. Since being locked up his health had failed and he became quite ill, suffering from dysentery.

It had been decided to discharge the man today. Deputy Sheriff von Desten took the man as far as the pen of the criminal court building, where the prisoners are held awaiting arraignment, but Keeper Frank, seeing the man's condition, refused to receive him. Von Desten then took the man back to the Tombs. As Brown reached his cell door he fell to the floor, dead.

STEEL CORPORATION RAISES SKIPPERS' PAY

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—By order of A. B. Wolvin, general manager of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, the captains of all the boats of that company will receive an advance in wages of 10 per cent for the season of 1903.

ROBERT PITCAIRN CONSULTS CASSATT.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Robert Pitcairn, resident president of the Pennsylvania railroad at Pittsburgh, spent the day here in consultation with President Cassatt and other officials.

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LEMARE OPENS NEW ORGAN.

City Organist to Officiate at Walton Methodist Episcopal Church, Friday.

E. H. Lamare, the organist of the Pittsburgh Carnegie institute, will open the new Estey organ, that has lately been placed in the Walton Methodist Episcopal church, with a recital on Friday evening of this week. The recital is free to the public and all are invited. The full program follows:

Overture in C major	Hollins
Scherzo in F	Hofmann
Fugue, "St. Anne"	Bach
Pastorale in E major	Lemare
Cantilene Nuptiale	Dubois
Toccata in G major	Dubois
Duo, "Quis est Homo"	Rossini
Andantino in D flat	Chauvet
Marche Nuptiale	Widor

PROGRAM IS BRILLIANT.

Pittsburgh Orchestra to Be Heard in Special Numbers This Week.

The principal number on the Pittsburgh orchestra's program for this week is the "Pathetic" symphony by Tschaikowsky. This work is heard every season and there are none in the whole catalogue of symphonies so appealing to the average listener. Other orchestral numbers are by Bizet, Dubois, Massenet and a brilliant piece of ballet music by Rubenstein.

Mr. von Kunits, the concert meister, is the soloist, and great things may be expected of him. He plays two works with orchestral accompaniment, the D minor concerto by Max Bruch, a highly melodious and poetical work, and two movements from the symphony "Espagnole," by Lalo, music full of color and both brilliant and difficult.

Baking a Mark of Swartz.

Nathan Swartz, a Homestead clothier, had an overcoat stolen from his place of business yesterday by a negro, who escaped. This is the third coat stolen from Swartz within a week.

An Aristocrat Among Jewels the "Hardy" Pearl.

The Hardy & Hayes Co. have long been famous for the magnificence of their pearls.

They are exhibiting (only on request), at their mammoth establishment, 213-215 Fifth avenue, today, the most magnificent pearl they have yet owned. The "Hardy" pearl is round and perfect, a delicate rose pink in color—and about as large as an ordinary marble. It is worth $5,000.00. Ask to see it.

For Christmas

Dozens of pretty things here—Odd bits that you don't find everywhere—Yet all the more desirable for Christmas giving on that account—Watch the window display for suggestions.

Framed Dutch Tiles—Quaint effects for dining room, hall or den—$2.50 to $8.50 each.

Framed Tapestry Panels—Some very beautiful things—$5 to $15.

Sofa Pillows—In Burnt Leather, Oriental effects, Silks, Tapestries and Brocades—$3 to $7.50.

Fire Screens—Burlap, Tapestry and Burnt Wood effects—$4 to $35.

Blacking Boxes—$1 to $3.50.
Hassocks—50c to $1.25.
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Then there are the Lace Curtains, Portieres and Couch Covers that are always acceptable at holiday time—A rare stock to choose from—

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Smart Squirrel Scarfs—$8.50 each.
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Sable Fox Double Boa, $17.75—Flat Muff to match, $15—the set, $30.
Blue Lynx Cluster Scarf, eight full tails, $14—Muff to match, $16.50.
Genuine Chinchilla Muffs—extra size—$17.50—only 50 of them.

Blue fox boas and flat muffs—

Chinchilla scarfs, boas and pelerines, with round and flat muffs to match—

Black and blue lynx pieces, plain and in combination with squirrel and Persian lamb—

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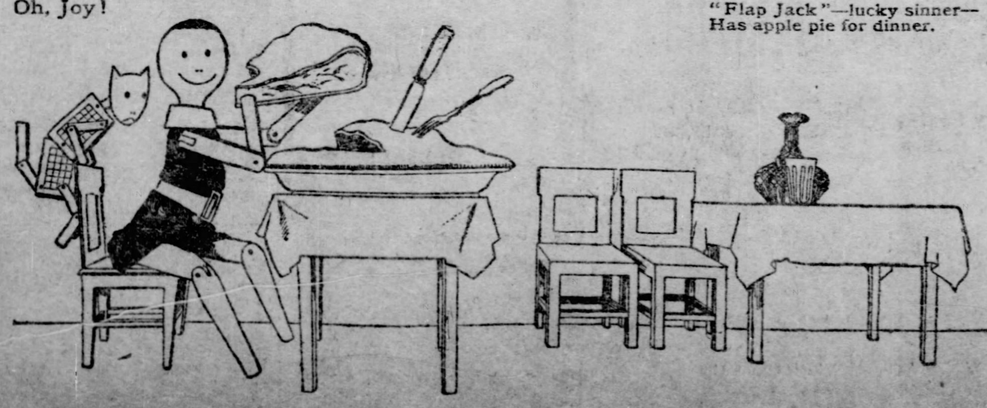

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO GIVE TREATS

Pittsburgh Churches Will Begin Christmas Celebration Tonight.

TRINITY CHIMES TO RING

Peals of Joyful Melody Will Be Heard for First Time in Six Years--Programs for Children's Enjoyment.

The prelude to the celebration of the Christmas festival will begin today. In accord with the vigorous, healthy life that pulsates through the churches of Pittsburgh and vicinity, elaborate Christmas entertainments will be held. The doors of many churches and Sunday schools will be open tonight and an entertainment of some kind progress within. The children have grown accustomed to looking forward with unconcealed joy to the box of candy they are sure to receive on the night before Christmas. So if good weather prevails tonight the entertainments will have far from a scant attendance.

Trinity Protestant Episcopal church, in Sixth avenue, and all its varied organizations have made special arrangements for tonight. The beautiful church will be more ornately dressed than ever before. Pillars, arches, galleries, chancel and other points will be clothed with the holly and other winter greens. The rector of the church, the Rev. A. W. Arundel, has arranged for a midnight celebration of the Eucharist.

Old Trinity Churches.

For a few minutes before this service tonight Christmas chimes will be rung from the tower of "Old Trinity" for the first time in six years. These will take the form of the best known of the old Christmas carols, as well as appropriate hymns. After the opening part of the office of Eucharist the rector will make a short and appropriate address, when the Christmas Eucharist will be offered, terminating with proper laudations. The famous surpliced boy choir of Trinity, under the direction of Organist Walter E. Hall, will render a special anthem during the offertory.

In connection with the Christmas season the kindergarten school of Trinity will hold its festival. Material for a Christmas tree has been prepared, by the little ones and useful gifts will be forthcoming. Miss Bakewell, who has the direction of the kindergarten, will offer suggestions to any desiring to have a share in the furnishing of the tree.

This afternoon the sewing school of Trinity will meet. Mrs. James K. Bakewell will give a stereopticon exhibition of scenes connected with the "Nativity." Each girl will receive a useful present. Since the opening of the school, this fall, the children have been making garments for themselves under the direction of the principal and the teachers.

Many Sunday School Treats.

Other churches and Sunday schools that will give entertainments tonight are the following:

Methodist Episcopal.

The church of Crafton will give the annual entertainment and treat. There will be special music and recitations by the children, and an address by the pastor, the Rev. W. W. Youngson.

The children of the California Avenue church Sunday school will render a cantata. Recitations will also be given. After the entertainment devotional exercises will be led by the pastor, the Rev. John W. Hoffman.

At the Butler Street church, Fortieth street, an entertainment will be given in the Sunday school room. A fine program has been prepared. There will be a Christmas tree and a distribution of presents to the children.

The church of Carnegie will give a Sunday school entertainment. Special music and recitations will be rendered. Addresses will be made by the Rev. J. Gray Jones, pastor, and Harry Lewis, superintendent of the Sabbath school.

The church of Sheraden will hold a Sunday school treat and entertainment. There will be special music, recitations and readings. Addresses will be made by the Rev. W. J. Sloane, pastor, and Charles B. Phillips, superintendent of the Sunday school.

The exercises of the Sunday school of the Avne church, Hazelwood, will be held at 7:30. A large tree will be trimmed and the church decorated. The primary department has prepared a program of recitations and special Christmas songs. A treat of candy will follow.

In the Union Centenary church, Sharpsburg, presents will be given the pupils of the Sunday school who have not missed a session throughout the year. The others will be given candy and books. An excellent musical program has been arranged by the Rev. O. H. P. Graham, pastor. Mrs. Nellie Yerkins, soprano, and Miss Jessie Mulholland, mezzo-soprano, will be the soloists.

Lutheran.

The Rev. C. B. King, pastor of Bethel church, Allegheny, will have special services, after which the tree will be given the children and an entertainment follow.

In the First German church of Millvale the Rev. E. Tutzke, pastor, has arranged a Sunday school treat. The congregation will be amused with a musical entertainment, in which the children will take part.

Presbyterian.

The church of Israel will hold the annual Sunday school entertainment. Brother D. H. Bones, superintendent of the school, will address the children. Special music has been arranged.

In the First church, Sharpsburg, the Rev. T. M. Thompson, pastor, an elaborate program has been arranged. A Sunday school treat will take place and the children will contribute toys to be given to the boys in the Industrial home at Oakmont.

The First church of Crafton will hold a Sunday school entertainment. A large program is being arranged, which includes special music by the church choir and recitations by the scholars. An address will be delivered by the pastor, the Rev. Herbert Hezlep.

The Bellefield church Sunday school will hold its exercises at 7 o'clock. The children of the primary department have prepared a number of recitations and Christmas songs for the occasion. The program will be followed by the customary treat of candy. A collection for the poor of the city will be taken up and the children will bring to the church provisions, canned goods and clothing, which will be turned over to the Society for the Improvement of the Poor.

The church of Carnegie will hold an entertainment. There will be special music and recitations by the children of the Sabbath school, and addresses by the Rev. J. M. Duff, pastor, and the school superintendents, A. O. Minster and H. A. Johns. The feature of the exercises will be its "Cradle Roll Call," which has the names of all the children who have been baptized in the church and who will be called to see if they are present.

United Presbyterian.

In the Eleventh church, Allegheny, the children of the Sunday school will give a Mother Goose drill and there will be plenty of recitations and songs. Services led by the Rev. C. F. Wishart, the pastor, will precede the entertainment.

The Sunday school children of the First church of Etna will be given their treat Wednesday night. The pastor, the Rev. S. E. Irvine, has arranged a musical entertainment for that night, and the children will take part. Candy and books will be given to the little ones.

The First Church of Carnegie will hold its annual entertainment and treat. Special music has been arranged and there will be recitations by the children. There will be a cantata by the pupils entitled "Santa Claus at His Best," directed by Prof. Frank McKay. Addresses will be made by the Rev. W. R. Wilson, pastor of the church, and John A. Bell, superintendent of the school.

Baptist.

The church of Carnegie will hold its annual Sunday school entertainment.

The Rev. Henry Madtes, of the First church, Sharpsburg, has arranged a program for his congregation. The Sunday school children will be given a treat and an entertainment will take place. The teachers of the Sunday school will also give their pupils presents.

Protestant Episcopal.

For the members of the Church of the Atonement Sunday school, Carnegie, an entertainment and treat will be given Christmas eve.

The Sunday school of the Church of the Ascension will hold its Christmas exercises at 7:30. A tree will be decorated and a treat of candy will be given to all the children. The evening will be taken up with a musical program and a number of carols written by Mr. Napier will be sung.

The Sunday school of St. Peter's church, Craft avenue and Forbes street, holds its Christmas exercises in the new parish house. A large Christmas tree will be installed and a program consisting of numerous recitations and songs by the children will be carried out. A treat of candy will conclude the program.

Congregational.

The Puritan church, South Twenty-second street, will have a tree and will hold the treat at 7:30. Books, candies, fruit and other gifts will be handed out and there will be a program of songs, recitations and addresses.

Christian.

The church of Carnegie, the Rev. C. C. Cowgill, pastor, will hold its Sunday school treat.

Miscellaneous.

Santa Claus in uniform will hand out the good things at the Bedford school on Bingham street, near South Tenth. There will be songs and addresses, and in the primary department a Christmas tree is to be set up.

Humboldt school, at South Twentieth and Sarah streets, will have a Christmas tree in the kindergarten department ready with its fruits for distribution yesterday morning, and this morning the tree in the primary department will be displayed for the children. There will be special exercises in all the other rooms.

The Wylie Avenue church will hold no special services in the church on Christmas, but the teachers of the Sunday school have decided to give all of the children a treat of candy, oranges and cards at their individual homes. Each teacher will personally visit the homes of the pupils and leave the candy at the house. A curious mixture of classes is represented from all parts of the Hill district, many of the children coming from the Italian and Syrian quarters in the vicinity of the church.

ONCE UNHAPPY COUPLE TO BE WEDDED AGAIN

Woman Who Repeatedly Alleged Cruelty Consents to Re-Marriage.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CANTON, O., Dec. 23.—On October 15 of this year Keziah O'Neil was granted a divorce from her husband, William G. Byzell, on the ground of extreme cruelty, and on Tuesday afternoon the couple appeared at the probate judge's office and were granted a license to be married again. The marriage will take place Christmas afternoon.

The first petition for a divorce was filed by the wife on July 28, but a few days later the case was withdrawn without record. Five days after the petition had been dismissed the wife again filed a petition for divorce and it was granted.

The case was further complicated about two weeks ago when the ex-wife had her former husband arrested on a peace warrant. She, however, failed to appear against him. All animosities have now been buried and the couple will try married life again.

Accidentally Killed His Wife.

CHARLESTON, VA., Dec. 23.—(Special)—Mrs. E. T. Jarrett, aged 32, was instantly killed at her home in this city last night by the accidental discharge of a revolver in the hands of her husband who was cleaning the weapon and thought he had extracted all of the cartridges. The bullet also passed through the left hand of the husband. Several members of the family were in the room at the time.

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ANSWERS TO WABASH APPEAL ARE COMING FAST AND STRONG

Every mail delivery yesterday carried to the office of J. W. Patterson, general manager of the Wabash, scores of responses to the postal card canvass the Wabash has started to secure indorsement of its plans by the representative business concerns and men of Pittsburh. The first of the cards, stating the Wabash's plans and requesting those favoring them to sign the statement on the return portion of the postal, were mailed late Monday. All day yesterday a force of clerks at the general manager's office and at the office of A. M. Neeper, general counsel, were busy directing the remainder of the cards containing this unique appeal to the people.

The readiness of the response was a surprise. "Scores are coming in with each delivery," said the letter carrier in the Fitzsimmons building yesterday afternoon, as he turned over a bunch of 100.

Another feature of the responses is that a large number, 50, perhaps, up to last night, have accompanied the postal indorsement with still stronger letters. "The progress of Pittsburgh is being hindered materially," wrote one man, whose freight shipments total thousands of tons annually. "It has been almost impossible to secure cur Christmas supplies on the present railroads," writes a department store manager. "Keep up the fight. The Wabash should have as good a show as any other railroad here," is the encouraging message from the president of a Fourth avenue trust company.

Pittsburgh's most prominent manufacturers and financiers are among those who have signed the cards. It was estimated yesterday that interests capitalized at over $100,000,000 were represented in the signatures, which came in with the mails of the day. This will be doubled many times before all the answers have been received.

Andrew Carnegie, whose name the Wabash extension, the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western bears, is among those to whom the postal has sent, and his answer is awaited with much interest. He has recently made an outspoken declaration in The Gazette of his opinion of the delays which have been forced on the Wabash by the city councils and other hostile influences.

WANTS SHIPPERS' ENGINES.

B. & O. Would Borrow Private Locomotives to Better Coke Service.

A special meeting of Baltimore & Ohio superintendents and other transportation officials reporting to I. G. Rawn, general superintendent at Pittsburgh, was held yesterday, to devise methods of obtaining better motive power service. Mr. Rawn has taken hold of the local situation with a will, and proposes to make cars move, or know the reason why.

One plan, mentioned in The Gazette some months ago, to secure the co-operation of manufacturers, by the use of their engines in obtaining coke from the Connellsville region, at times when these small yard engines would not be working, is likely to be tried now more extensively than ever. The Baltimore & Ohio has asked the Frick Coke Company for the use of 12 engines belonging to that concern. The value of these engines, despite the fact that they cannot haul a long train, is great, and will be sufficient to prevent the recurrence of the yard blockades that have been common for over a year.

Lake Erie Buys Near New Castle.

A $10,000 land deal was announced yesterday, when it was stated that the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie had purchased the Capt. John Palmer property at New Castle junction. The property embraces about 6½ acres and brought $10,300, or about $1,600 an acre, the highest price ever paid in that vicinity for land. Capt. Palmer died about three years ago and before that time he tried in vain to sell the property for $1,400 an acre, but could find no purchaser. The property lies between the Baltimore & Ohio main line and the Lake Erie & Pittsburg tracks to New Castle from the junction and is needed for the general improvement scheme the Lake Erie has for its junction yards.

Low Holiday Rate Made.

From Pittsburgh west there will be a special rate of one and one-third fares for the round trip during the Christmas holidays. This is in central territory. In trunk line territory from Pittsburgh east, no concessions in the way of reduced rates will be made for the general public. The Trunk Line Passenger association is a very close corporation and makes the lower rates, only when forced to do so. The Christmas tickets at the reduced rates will be on sale today, tomorrow and on December 31, and will be good returning until January 2.

RAILROAD NOTES.

W. L. Andrews, coal and coke agent of the Baltimore & Ohio, is in Baltimore on a business trip.

J. W. Tedford, assistant general freight agent of the Santa Fe at Chicago, was in the city yesterday.

Joseph Wood, second vice president of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, is expected home from New York today or tomorrow.

John R. James, central passenger agent of the Missouri Pacific, has received a number of the handsome calendars which that line issues annually for free distribution.

C. E. Kirk, supervisor of the Pennsylvania railroad at Pitcairn, is appointed assistant engineer at Williamsport, and Charles R. McMillan, supervisor at Reading, succeeds Mr. Kirk at Pitcairn.

The Pittsburgh & Lake Erie put into service yesterday the new second track between Lovedale and a point beyond Yankirk on the Monongahela division. The work of double-tracking the whole division is being pushed energetically.

I. G. Rawn, general superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio at Pittsburgh, left last night to spend Christmas at his home in Cincinnati. On his return he will make a trip of inspection over the Ohio lines in his territory, arriving in Pittsburgh in about a week.

GEORGE W. CREIGHTON.

Who Will on January 1 Be Transferred from the General Superintendency of the Buffalo & Allegheny Valley Division to the Pennsylvania Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

CHECKED LOCAL RATES.

Meeting of Pittsburgh Freight Committee—The New Coke Rates.

At a meeting of the Pittsburgh Freight committee yesterday the revised tariffs to points in the Pittsburgh district were checked in. The local rates show few changes of importance, the increases that were made being less than 5 per cent. Over half of the rates are not changed.

The new coke rates have been announced in full. The rate from the Connellsville region to Pittsburgh will be 30 cents the ton after January 1, instead of 75 cents, the present rate. The increase is between 6 and 7 per cent. To the valleys the new coke rate will be $1.30 instead of $1.20, the present rate. The increase is 18 1-3 per cent. The Cleveland rate will be $1.60 instead of $1.50, and the Chicago rate $2.65 instead of $2.50. The eastbound coke rates are given a horozontal increase of 10 cents the ton, except to a few comparatively unimportant points.

There will be no change in the coal rates January 1. They are settled at a meeting of the Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio Railway Traffic association. This meeting is held usually in this city in February and the new rates go into effect April 1 for one year. At that meeting there will be an advance similar to the one made in coke.

NEWS OF NEARBY TOWNS AND COUNTRY

NEW CASTLE BARRIERS TO WABASH ARE BROKEN

Councils Grant Right to Cross Street at Any Grade Advisable.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 23.—The Wabash railroad will finally secure an entrance here under conditions which will permit it to obtain traffic, after a fight of many weeks. Councils have been contending for an overhead crossing on South Jefferson street, where the Wabash engineers maintain they cannot go except at grade on account of having to cross the Pennsylvania tracks at an elevation of 1,500 feet distant from the street.

Last night an amendment to the Wabash ordinance was introduced which will allow the line to cross Jefferson street at whatever grade is found to be advisable, provided that if a grade crossing is to be made the road will meet its just proportion of the cost of a viaduct to elevate the highway above the tracks.

This will probably end the contention of months.

CANNOT ATTACH WAGES.

Dauphin County Court Decides in Favor of Railroad Employes.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 23.—The Dauphin county court heard argument today on the appeals taken from the judgment of a Harrisburg alderman in the suits brought by railroad employes, whose wages have been attached in West Virginia to recover the amount so attached from the persons who assigned claims to the West Virginia agency for the purpose of having them collected in that state.

The court reversed the alderman and entered judgment in favor of the defendants on the ground that the wages attached in the West Virginia proceedings had not yet been paid over by the railroad company or received by the person who had sued out the attachment.

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WIDOW TRIES TO BREAK WILL OF HER HUSBAND

Fifty Thousand Dollars Involved in Suit at Greensburg.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 23.—In the orphans court today there was heard a case as unusual as it is interesting by Judge A. A. Vosburg of the Lackawanna county court. The proceeding was brought by Mrs. Annie M. Fennell of New Alexandria and the hearing was on a rule granted on a petition for an inquest to make partition of the estate of David Fennell, his widow, the petitioner, having refused to abide by the will made by him just before his death.

David Fennell and his wife were well up in years at the time of their marriage. Both owned a great deal of real estate. Soon after their marriage they entered into an agreement, it is claimed, wherein Mrs. Fennell waived any claim to any rights she might acquire by her husband's death, either as a participant in the distribution of his property or as a party in the settlement of his estate. This agreement was dated December 31, 1900, and David Fennell died on March 8, 1902, leaving a number of grown-up sons and daughters. Two of the sons were named as executors, and when the will was read it was found that the entire estate was left to his children, his widow being forgotten in the provisions.

Mrs. Fennell is endeavoring to have the will set aside. She claims that the agreement entered into with her husband is totally void for want of sufficient consideration; that she was under legal disability when the agreement was drawn up, and that she did not have full knowledge of the estate. Mr. Fennell owned considerable real estate in Salem township, and in the neighborhood of $50,000 is involved.

Greensburg Pastor Installed.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The Rev. George D. Lindsay, the new pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church, was tonight installed by a committee of ministers of the Blairsville presbytery. The Rev. Edwin S. Wallace of the First church, Greensburg, presided. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Flack of Latrobe. The Rev. S. H. Lenhart, president of the Blairsville College for Women, welcomed the new pastor on behalf of the presbytery. The charge to the congregation was made by the Rev. Henry Bain, D. D., of Mamont, and the charge to the pastor by the Rev. C. C. Hays of Johnstown.

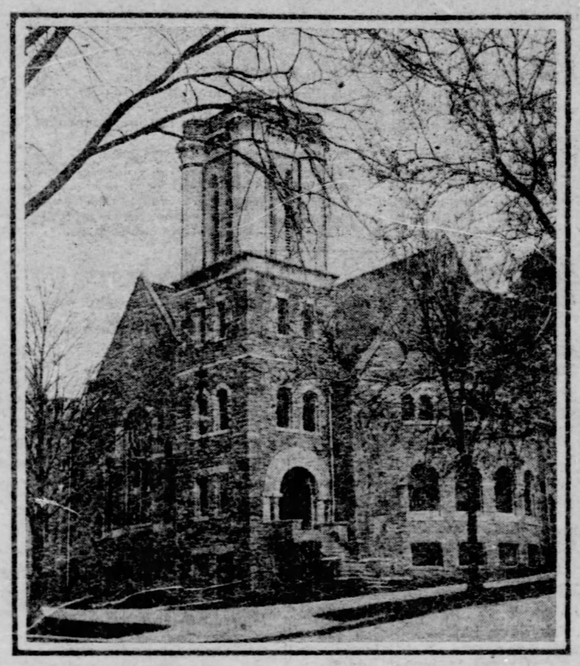
College Orators Selected.

NEW WILMINGTON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The following members of the class of 1904 of Westminster college have been appointed by the faculty as junior oratorical contestants: George Clark Vincent, Detroit, Mich.; Margaret Earle Mitchell, New Wilmington; Emett McBride, Pine Hill, O.; Margaret Ethel Nesbit, Union; Clara Elliott, New Wilmington; William Carson Press, Lynn, Mass.; William Reid, Greenwich, N. J.

Attempt to Poison Family.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The family of Mrs. S. K. Weaver, in the East End, reported to the police today that an attempt had been made to poison them by putting a large quantity of sulphuric acid in the cistern from which they draw their drinking water. The police are hunting for a stranger, who was seen about the premises last night.

PROSPEROUS CHURCH OF MARIETTA.



Marietta, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—St. Luke's Lutheran church will celebrate Christmas free of debt. The new building cost $25,000, was dedicated a year ago and members of the church contributed sufficient money so that the edifice is paid for

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

STEUBENVILLE, O.—Patrick Carroll, a telegraph operator, began suit against the Panhandle railroad for $50,000 damages for injuries growing out of the naptha disaster at Sheraden, Pa., on May 12 last.

CLAYSVILLE, PA.—While working about a corn husker on the Alexander farm in West Finley township, Jason Irey had one arm terribly mangled.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—Earl, son of G. L. Cline, of Slipperyrock township, is suffering from terrible wounds inflicted by a huge dog.

WELLSVILLE, O.—Wellsville has a population of 13,153, according to the police census just completed. This is a gain of 1,936 over the census of 1900.

FRANKLIN, PA.—The congregation of the First Presbyterian church of this city voted to extend a call to the Rev. R. B. Beattie, of the Broad Avenue Presbyterian church of Altoona, Pa., at a salary of $2,000.

FAIRMONT, VA.—A. L. Richards, who was arrested in Monongalia county and was brought here and given a hearing before F. T. Martin, United States commissioner, on a charge of having sent obscene literature through the mail to a young woman at Morgantown, was held for the federal grand jury.

CHARLEROI, PA.—Brownsville is to have a new brewery. The Cook farm, near the Hamberger distillery, has been purchased by a company headed by William Calvert and John Monier of Charleroi. A charter has been applied for and the concern will be known as the Union Brewing Company, the capital stock of which will be $100,000. Work will be commenced on the building in the spring.

NOBODY IS EXEMPT.

A New Preparation Which Everyone Will Need Sooner or Later.

Almost everybody's digestion is disordered more or less, and the commonest thing they do for it is to take some one of the many so-called blood purifiers, which in many cases are merely strong cathartics. Such things are not needed. If the organs are in a clogged condition, they need only a little help and they will right themselves. Cathartics irritate the sensitive linings of the stomach and bowels and often do more harm than good.

Purging is not what is needed. The thing to do is to put the food in condition to be readily digested and assimilated. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets do this perfectly. They partly digest what is eaten and give the stomach just the help it needs. They stimulate the secretion and excretion of the digestive fluids and relieve the congested condition of the glands and membranes. They put the whole digestive system in condition to do its work. When that is done you need take no more tablets, unless you eat what does not agree with you. Then take one or two tablets, give them needed help and you will have no trouble.

It's a common sense medicine and a common sense treatment and it will cure every time. Not only cure the disease but cure the cause. Goes about it in a perfectly sensible and scientific way.

We have testimonials enough to fill a book, but we don't publish many of them. However—Mrs. E. M. Faith of Byrds Creek, Wis., says:

"I have taken all the Tablets I got of you and they have done their work well in my case, for I feel like a different person altogether. I don't doubt if I had not got them I should have been at rest by this time."

H. E. Willard, Onslow, Ia., says: "Mr. White of Canton, was telling me of your Dyspepsia Tablets curing him of Dyspepsia from which he suffered for eight years. As I am a sufferer myself I wish you to send me a package by return mail."

Phil Brooks, Detroit, Mich., says: "Your Dyspepsia cure has worked wonders in my case. I suffered for years from dyspepsia but am now entirely cured and enjoy life as I never have before. I gladly recommend them."

It will cost 50c to find out just how much Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will help you. Try them—that's the best way to decide.

BOUNDARY OF CITY CANNOT BE FOUND

New Castle Councils Are Embarrassed Because Line Is Lost.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 23.—Just where this city is "at" is a question now bothering councils. It develops that the southern boundary line of the city is unknown and the city will be handicapped in fighting the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, which recently laid an additional track on Montgomery avenue without permission of councils and has secured an injunction restraining the city from tearing it up.

The fact of the missing city line was explained last night in councils by Engineer Robert McConahy. When the question of tearing up the tracks came up for discussion some of the members hesitated to vote upon it for fear of being placed in contempt of court, as the court has restrained the city from any action. City Solicitor Gardner assured them that this could not result.

Councilman Leddy asked how far the Pennsylvania track encroached on city property, and it was learned that no one knew just where the city line is. It will have to be found before anything can be done toward making the Pennsylvania vacate.

Woman Sues for Damages.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.—Mattie Monks, alias Bertz, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who was shot and wounded by Mrs. John Connors, has sued the latter for $10,000 damages. On October 31 the Monks woman was walking along the main street of the city and Mrs. Connors approached her drawing a revolver and shot her in the chin. Mrs. Connors is the wife of a prominent roller, and was jealous of the Monks woman.

Club Celebrates Anniversary.

FRANKLIN, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The 25th anniversary of the founding of the Nursery club, Franklin's social organization, was celebrated by the club tonight by a banquet. Gen. John A. Wiley acted as toastmaster. The following responded to toasts: The Hon. Alexander McDowell, the Hon. R. F. Glenn, the Rev. Martin Aigner, the Hon. C. W. Mackey, the Hon. Thomas McGough, the Hon. Joseph C. Sibley, the Hon. Henry McSweeney and Col. James Parmlee.

Strength is the child or health; it comes when conditions are favorable. Dr. D. Jayne's Tonic Vermifuge subdues disease by correcting the diseased channels.

Intelligent Watch-Buying.

As a Fine Art, Described.

The Keystone Watch Case Company of Philadelphia has issued a handsome booklet entitled, "Intelligent Watch Buying." Descriptions of watches and watch cases is given in readable, attractive style, incidentally setting forth the superiority of the makes which the book is purposed to sell. Artistically the advertisement is as fetching as is the subject matter.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

Pittsburgh Rush

What a rush and bustle and hurry everybody is in, in this busy town—

Is it any wonder that kidneys get overworked and backs ache?

Is it any wonder that kidney troubles are more prevalent than in almost any other city in the country?—

Yet Pittsburgh people have learned that there is no need to suffer—

Kidney troubles can be cured—

Diabetes, urinary troubles, every form of kidney disease, down to Bright's Disease itself, can be easily and speedily cured—

DOANS KIDNEY PILLS.

have cured hundreds of Pittsburgh people—

They're curing others every day—People you know—your own neighbors—Can't go back on home testimony—There's no doubting proof like the following:

"Two years ago last summer I was greatly troubled with headache, the result of weak kidneys. I was laid up, unable to work from April to October. Suffered everything that man could suffer. Got no benefit at all from physicians, and had about given up hope, when I was advised to try Doans Kidney Pills. I took the advice and have blessed Doans Kidney Pills every since. Why, they cured me in no time. Made me feel as well and strong as I ever had in my life. I'm only too glad to recommend them.

"C. R. BROWN, 50 Fifteenth Street, Pittsburgh."

Doans Kidney Pills are for sale by all Drugists—50c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

For Christmas

Why not one of the durable, sweet toned

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432 DIAMOND ST.

Jim Dumps' near neighbor, William Ross,
Was called Ill-Will, he was so cross.
Jim Dumps invited him to tea
And fed him "Force." He laughed with glee,
For "Force" was just the food for him.
"It fills the Bill," said "Sunny Jim."
"FORCE"
The Ready-to-Serve Cereal
brings health closer than a neighbor.
Sweet, crisp flakes of wheat and malt.
Eat "Force" three times a day.
"Our people are eating 'Force' three times a day.
"J. B. Shuller"

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 572.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the purchase of patent rights of a device known as the "Iron Stop Gate Box."

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city recorder and the director of the department of public works be hereby authorized to purchase from J. Linwood Brown, for the sum of six hundred ($600.00) dollars, the exclusive and perpetual right, title and interest, of, in and to a certain device called the "Iron Stop Gate Box," within the limits of the city of Allegheny as they now are or may hereafter be extended, letters patent having been issued for said device or invention by the United States government and numbered 557,182. The same to be held and enjoyed by the city of Allegheny within and throughout its limits for its own use and behoof, and for the use and behoof of its successors and assigns.

Sec. 2. The city recorder is directed to draw a warrant upon the city treasurer in the sum of six hundred ($600.00) dollars, the same to be countersigned by the city controller, in favor of the said J. Linwood Brown in payment for such patent device, out of appropriation No. 12, bureau of water, department of public works.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.
J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 574.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the purchase of pumps, electric motors and other machinery necessary to install a pumping plant in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, Instructing the city recorder and the director of the department of public works to advertise for proposals and award the contracts therefor, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the purchase of three (3) twenty-four (24) inch by twenty-four (24) inch crosses with valves for the bureau of water supply and distribution, department of public works, in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works, is hereby authorized and ordered. The city recorder and the said director are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided. The cost and expense thereof to be paid out of appropriation No. 12, bureau of water supply and distribution.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 584.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the director of the department of public works to lease to John A. Crawford for two years at one thousand ($1,000.00) dollars per year, so much of the wharf abutting at the dividing line of the Fourth and Eighth wards and extending westward for three hundred (300) feet.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the director of the department of public works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a lease to John A. Crawford for so much of the wharf as begins at the dividing line of the Fourth and Eighth wards in the city of Allegheny, and extends westward from said point a distance of three hundred (300) feet, for a period of two years, for the annual rental of one thousand ($1,000 00) dollars. The said wharf to be used for maintaining a portable saw mill.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.
J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

MRS. SCHENLEY AGAIN REFUSES

Councilmanic Committee Hears from Her in Regard to School Site.

WON'T GIVE PARK LAND

She Advocates Bellefield Site, Councilmen Still Have Hopes That She Will Change Her Mind—Are Gathering Data.

Presidents John S. Lamie and Charles S. Crawford, appointed by councils some time ago to obtain Mrs. Schenley's consent to the use of Schenley park land for the Carnegie polytechnic school, have failed in their mission thus far. Mrs. Schenley has been communicated with by Presidents Lamble and Crawford, but it is understood that her reply was unfavorable.

Messrs. Lamble and Crawford are now engaged in gathering additional data, which they will submit to Mrs. Schenley in the hope that she will change her mind. They are holding conferences almost every day, but cannot say when they will be able to make a report to councils.

President Crawford stated a couple of weeks ago that he and Mr. Lamble expected to make their report to councils within a couple of days. Mr. Crawford later announced that the report had been indefinitely postponed.

On the heels of this announcement comes the news that Mrs. Schenley has been heard from but that her decision was not favorable. She is said to have objected to the appropriation of park land for any purpose, except that for which it was donated, stating that the building of the Carnegie school would establish a precedent that might be followed in other cases in later years.

She is also said to have expressed her preference for the hillside site, above Fifth and Center avenues, which was first proposed by William McConway and others. The delay in the proceedings has revived the charges that certain parties have written to Mrs. Schenley, advising her not to give her consent to the use of the park land.

To offset any efforts in this direction, Messrs. Lamble and Crawford have secured a statement from Prof. John A. Brashear, who also favored the hillside site at first, but who is an ardent advocate of the site picked in Schenley park. Prof. Brashear's views, as a practical scientist and former advocate of the hillside site, will be submitted to Mrs. Schenley.

Prof. Brashear has pointed out that it would be impossible to build the polytechnic buildings on the hillside, because of the fact that the rear of the buildings will jut into the steep slope and cut off both air and light and prevent any future enlargement of the buildings.

THE THREE RIVERS.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.)

CINCINNATI, Dec. 23.—River 35.6 feet and falling fast. All packets in and out on time. The towboat movements in the harbor continue very active. The arrivals today were the Florence Mermet, E. R. Andrews and the George Matheson. All of them will leave for headwaters with empties. The Iron Age passed up at noon with a tow of empties from Louisville. The W. H. Flint departed up stream with a tow of empties.

LOUISVILLE—River falling with 13 feet 6 inches on the falls, 15 feet 8 inches in the canal and 40 feet 9 inches at foot of locks. All the Kentucky tributaries are falling and most of them have resumed their former stages. The H. W. Fisible has gone into winter quarters at Paducah. The Oakland added to her tow at West Louisville and is taking south 28 boats and four barges. The Alice Brown and tow will go south. The Tom Dodsworth and tow will be down tomorrow. The Coal City and tow arrived from Pittsburgh today.

MARIETTA—River 15.4 feet and rising. Ben Hur up, 6 p. m.; Keystone State down, 4 p. m.; B. D. Wood down with coal, 2 p. m.

MIDDLEPORT—River 17 feet and falling. Up, Liberty, 6 a. m.; Sam Brown, 9 a. m.; Greenwood, 4 p. m. Down, H. M. Stanley, 5 a. m.; Alice Brown, 8:30 a. m.; Dave Wood, 9 a. m.; John Moren, 11 a. m.; Josh Cook, 3:30 p. m.

WHEELING—River 18 feet 3 inches and rising. Departed, Keystone State, Cincinnati, 8 a. m.; Queen City, Pittsburgh, 9 a. m.; H. K. Bedford, Parkersburg, 11 a. m. Down with coal, J. C. Risher, 3 p. m.

OIL CITY—River 7 feet 2 inches and falling.

WARREN—River 6 feet and stationary.

GREENSBORO—River 10 feet 5 inches and falling. Woodward down Wednesday and Columbia up.

MORGANTOWN—River 10 feet and stationary.

STEUBENVILLE—River 17 feet 9 inches and rising. Up, Queen City at 1:30 p. m. Down, the J. C. Risher at 10 a. m.

GALLIPOLIS—River 20 feet and falling. Greenwood up.

POINT PLEASANT—River 17 feet 10 inches and falling. Down, H. M. Stanley, Tom Dodsworth, Alice Brown, Dave Wood, John Moren, Josh Cook. Up, Greenwood.

PARKERSBURG—River 15 feet and rising. Up, Bessie Smith at 4 a. m. for Wheeling; Ben Hur at 4 p. m. for Pittsburgh. Down, Keystone State for Cincinnati.

PLENTY OF WATER.

An Excellent Boating Stage in the Ohio, But No Towboats Are in Port.

While the Ohio river is at an excellent stage for shipping coalboats, there are no towboats in port, and it will be several days before they arrive with empties. Every boat that could be spared from the Pittsburgh district has been sent south with coal tows. A number of boats are in the vicinity of Parkersburg and Point Pleasant on their way to Pittsburgh, but the coalboat stage will probably be at an end by the time the steamers reach Pittsburgh.

The Ohio, however, is falling very slowly, as is always the case when a rise comes out of the Allegheny. The colder weather predicted is not expected to cause any material change in the stage of water for a day or two. The Ohio river only fell one-tenth of a foot all day yesterday. The Monongahela river is falling more rapidly, but the rise out of the Allegheny is keeping the Ohio at a good stage. The returning towboats are bringing hundreds of empties and if there is no rain to produce a further rise in the rivers, it is believed that the boats will all reach port. In the event of a freeze-up conditions would be changed.

Departures.

Kanawha, Charleston, W. Va.

Packets Leaving Today.

Queen City, Cincinnati, O.

News of the Rivers.

At 9 o'clock last night the marks at the Davis island dam indicated a depth of 13.5 feet and the river was falling.

Capt. Samuel Spencer was a passenger to Belpre, O., last night on the steamer Kanawha.

Mrs. Roe, wife of Capt. W. E. Roe of the steamer Kanawha, is making a trip on the steamer with her husband.

Pilots Frank and Albert Culp, who piloted the towboat Joseph B. Williams to Louisville, have returned from there by rail, the Williams having proceeded south.

The towboat W. W. O'Neil, going south, is reported to have hit the bank at Big Bone, below Cincinnati, and damaged two coalboats. She did not sink them.

Capt. J. M. Hammitt is building two towboats at Marietta, O., which are about the size and dimensions of the pool boats operating on the Monongahela river. It is said that he will sell them.

Capt. Ira S. Huntington, traveling freight and passenger agent for the Pittsburgh and Cincinnati packet line, was skirmishing about Pittsburgh yesterday making himself acquainted with the shippers.

The steamer Kanawha, leaving yesterday for Charleston, carried a large number of empty chicken and turkey coops. The indications are that much poultry will arrive next week, as there is generally a demand for New Year's dinners.

Capt. Duff Swaney has charged Capt. Abner Gould, before the local steamboat inspectors, with conduct unbecoming an officer. It is stated that when the towboat W. W. O'Neil was between Cincinnati and Louisville, Capt. Gould came into the pilot house and found fault with some matters and the two men quarreled. The latter was on watch at the pilot wheel. Capt. Gould knocked Capt. Swaney down. The inspectors will investigate the charge as soon as possible, but the O'Neil is in the south and it will probably be some time before Capt. Gould returns to Pittsburgh, as the season for piloting coal between Louisville and New Orleans has just opened.

The big towboat Sprague was not discharged yesterday from the naval dock, as it was expected she would be. The work of putting auxiliary chains in her was completed yesterday morning, and all preparations had been made to put her back into the river when an unforeseen accident happened. The dock was being sunk slowly and the huge boat appeared to be in good position until she settled in the water and was relieved of the support of the dock, when suddenly one of her main hog-chains parted with a loud report, and it was found necessary to again raise the dock and lift her out.—New Orleans Picayune. The Sprague has met with a number of similar accidents. The vessel is owned by the Monongahela river Consolidated Coal and Coke Company of Pittsburgh.

Fashionable Society in New York

Are great users of Speers' New Jersey wines, especially the Burgundy, Sherry and Port, during the holiday season. They are well known as the best and oldest wines in America. They are extensively used as presents during the holidays. A bottle of the Port or Burgundy wine or XXX Climax brandy is most acceptable for Christmas and New Year's table. Sold by druggists.

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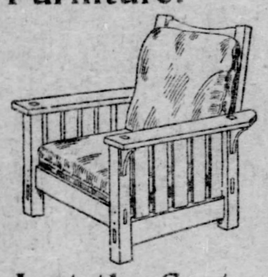

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—Genuine Haviland & Co. 113-piece Dinner Sets, in the most exquisite decorations—cut from $55 to $45.
—Another Haviland Dinner Set, 113 pieces, charmingly decorated, cut from $45 to $37.50.
—Still another Haviland Dinner Set, 100 pieces, cut from $33 to $27.
Royal Austrian China Dinner Set, 100 pieces, cut from $30 to $25.
—China Dinner Sets, 100 pieces, cut from $22.50 to $18.75.
—Fine Porcelain Dinner Sets, 100 pieces, cut from $15.00 to $12.50.
—Large Jardinieres on pedestals to match—charmingly decorated—
—$18 kind cut to $12.50 —$19.50 kind cut to $15

One Word More About Furs.

Our first Christmas advice this season was "BUY FURS." The response has been so general and so generous that we have renewed our Fur Stock at least three times since November. Our last word before Christmas is once again, "BUY FURS."

Black Fox, Isabella Fox and Sable Fox are the skins most in demand this year. Those we have are fine, thick, glossy, warm American fox skins, with real brushes—not the scraggly, thin pelts of the half-starved European Foxes.

—Black Fox Boas, $25 to $30. Muffs to match at $12.50, $15.00 and $17.00.

—Isabella and Sable Fox Boas, $15, $17.50, $20, $25 and $30. Muffs to match at $10 to $17.50.

—Mink in the fur world is what the diamond is in the jewelry domain—something perennial. We commend the long boas, trimmed with genuine tails, made from the skins of the Maine Minks, commonly known as "Eastern Minks." Prices $25, $30 and $35.

—European Mink Boas, as good as ever came across the ocean, with six tails, for $17.50 and $20.

Some less costly furs—most of them with muff to match.

—Black Coney Scarfs, 98c.
—French Coney Scarfs, $1.98 to $3.50.
—English Sable Scarfs, $3.50 and $5.00.
—Russian Hare Boas, $5.00.
—Genuine Mink Scarfs, $5.00 and $7.50.
—Black Thibet Boas, $6.50.
—Genuine Marten Boas, $10.00 and $12.50.
—Black Raccoon Boas, $10, $13.50 and $16.50.

Something Special:

Fine Squirrel Fur Set, this season's reigning fad, with long boa and large round muff. Cut from $59 to $49.

Another Fine Squirrel Set, with long boa and Lapland flat pillow muff, cut from $50 to $40.

Nearly a Hundred Children's Coats.

Fine Cape Coats in velvet and cloth, some lace trimmed and some fur trimmed—sizes 2 to 6 years.

$4.50 Coats for $2.98
$6.00 Coats for $3.98
$8.00 Coats for $4.98

Men's Bath Robes and House Coats.

$4.00 House Coats cut to $3.00
$6.00 House Coats cut to $3.75
$7.50 House Coats cut to $5.00
$12.50 House Coats cut to $10.00
$5.00 Bath Robes cut to $3.50
$7.50 Bath Robes cut to $5.00
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$12.50 Bath Robes cut to $9.50

WOOL WAISTINGS—Your choice from our entire stock in Persian and lace stripes, real valuation 69c and 85c a yard—for 59c yard.

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On ground floor, west aisle.

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50c Dressed Dolls, 25c
69c Dressed Dolls, 35c
89c Dressed Dolls, 45c
$1.00 Dressed Dolls, 50c

Buy Today—Wear Tomorrow.

—LADIES' BLACK PEAU DE SOIE "MONTE CARLO" COATS—handsome black silk coats with fancy brocade lining. Cut from $18.00 to $12.50. ($7.50 saved.)

—MISSES' FULL-LENGTH "MONTE CARLO" COATS in half a dozen desirable colors, sizes 6 to 14 years. Cut from $7.50 to $5.00. ($2.50 saved.)

—LADIES' BLACK SILK DRESS SKIRTS—some in Peau de Soie, some in taffeta and some in moire. Regular prices $15 and $16.50. Cut to $12.50. ($2.50 to $3.50 saved.)

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—ALL-LINEN DAMASK TOWELS, with knotted fringe and colored ends; size 24x36 inches, cut from 25c to 19c.
DAMASK ALL-LINEN DRESSER SCARFS—

Were	39c	49c	65c	75c	98c	$1.25
Now	29c	39c	50c	60c	75c	98c

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FRENCH BEVEL MANTEL MIRRORS, gold-mounted, 12-inch size reduced from $13.50 to $10.00.
—OXIDIZED COPPER CANDELABRA, large three-light kind, in the most artistic design, reduced from $10.00 to $7.75.
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$7.50 Clocks cut to $5.00
$10.00 Clocks cut to $7.50

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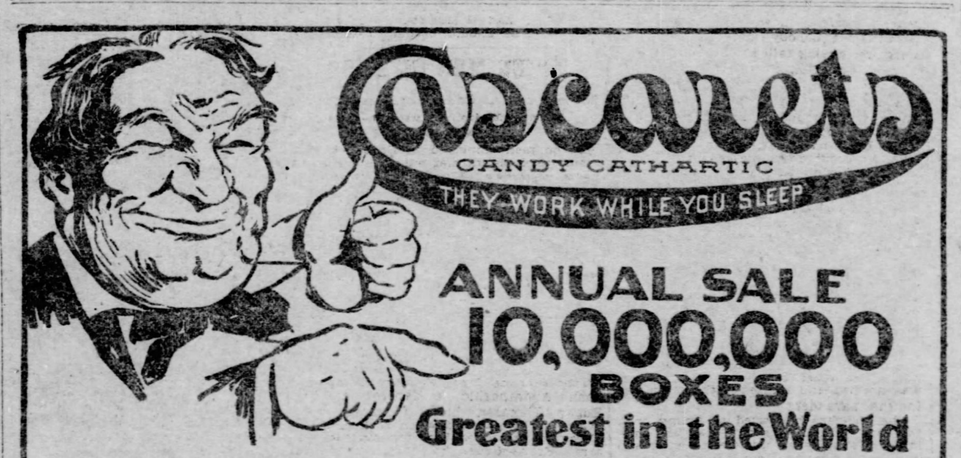

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

IN the court of common pleas No. 3, No. 435, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading Clayton avenue, from Perrysville avenue to northward to Division street, Second ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 9th day of January, A. D. 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

S. A. PURVIS,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
S. T. M'CLELLAND,
Viewers.

No. 587.

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing Agnes C. Graff and others to construct a lateral sewer on Home street, Eleventh ward, from Superior avenue to Bartlett street.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That Agnes C. Graff, Martha A. Graff, Thomas E. Graff, J. W. Graff, Alfred M. Pearson and W. J. Cann, owners of abutting property on Home street, Eleventh ward, from Superior avenue to Bartlett street, be and they are hereby authorized to construct at their own cost and expense an adequate sewer in Home street, Eleventh ward, from Superior avenue to Bartlett street. Said sewer to be constructed under the supervision and subject to the approval of the director of the department of public works. It being expressly understood and agreed that the said abutting property owners shall, upon the completion of said sewer, by a written instrument dedicate the same, without stipulation or reservation, to the city of Allegheny.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 532.)

AN ORDINANCE—Granting the Pittsburgh Clay Pot Company the right to construct and maintain a railroad switch on South avenue, Fifth ward, from the tracks of the Pittsburgh & Western railroad to its property on said South avenue.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the Pittsburgh Clay Pot Company be and is hereby granted permission to construct and maintain a railroad switch on South avenue, in the Fifth ward, from the tracks of the Pittsburgh & Western railroad, beginning at or near the center of South avenue, opposite the property of said Pittsburgh Clay Pot Company, and thence by a curved line in a northwesterly direction to the line of property of said Pittsburgh Clay Pot Company, according to the accompanying plan.

Sec. 2. Said switch shall be constructed and maintained, and the payment of the required license fee shall be made in accordance with ordinances now or hereafter enacted and in accordance with the directions of the department of public works and the committee on public works. Provided that said Pittsburgh Clay Pot Company shall keep said switch and South avenue at the place where it is constructed in good repair as long as said switch is maintained, and in case the same shall at any time be removed shall thoroughly repair the injury done by such removal.

Provided, further, that the right to maintain said switch shall be revocable by the city at any time after ten (10) years.

Sec. 3. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

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Women's watches—solid silver or gun metal, Swiss movement, stem wind and set, worth $4.50, at 2.98

Women's watches—solid silver, open face, stem wind and set, guaranteed to keep good time, at 9.50

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Books for young people

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Life and Adventures of Santa Claus, 1.00.
St. Nicholas for 1902, 2 vols. 3.59.
Chatterbox for 1902, 90c.
Outdoorland, R. Chambers, 1.50.
Lovable Tales of Janey, Josey and Joe, 1.30.
A New Wonderland, F. Baum, 89c.
The Little Girl Next Door, Rhondes, 80c.
Pussy Meow, Louise Paterson, 60c.
Beautiful Joe's Paradise, Saunders, 1.20.
Brave Heart Elizabeth, Thompson, 1.00.
Madge, a Girl in Earnest, Jennie Smith, 1.00.
The Story of Joan of Arc, Aunt Kate, 80c.

Denslow's noted books, including Night Before Christmas and Mother Goose, each, 98c

Among the late books

Finding the greatest sale in this Holiday rush are the following:
The Virginian, O. Wister.
The Blue Flower, H. Van Dyke.
Cecilia, Marion Crawford.
Confessions of a Wife, Mary Adams.
Temporal Power, Marie Corelli.
A Speckled Bird, Augusta Evans.
The Intrusions of Peggy, Hope.
Donovan Pasha, Gilbert Parker.
Dorothy South, Geo. Eggleston.
The Shadow of the Czar, Carling.
The Needle's Eye, F. M. Kingsley.
The Last Word, A. MacGowan.
All of which we sell at the lowest cut prices.
Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, 59c
Glengarry School Days, R. Connor, 90c.

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Peloubet's Notes on the Sunday School Lessons for 1903—an invaluable aid to all S. S. teachers, Choice for 79c

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Many elaborate pieces of richest American cut glass, selected from our $12.00 to $15.00 lines, offered today at 10.00

Fancy vases and bric-a-brac reduced like this: $2.50 values at 1.87
$4.00 values at 2.98.
$5.00 values at 3.87.
$6.50 values at 4.87.

Chocolate pots hand decorated china, reduced from $2.25 to 1.50

Cracker jars—fancy decorated china, for only 2.48

Cups and saucers—prettily decorated china, at 98c, 75c, 48c and 25c

Plaques—elegant hand-painted Limoges (French) china plaques, reduced from $7.00 to only 4.98

China dishes and salads, richly decorated, reduced from $2.25 to 1.50

Dinner sets of 102 pieces finest quality Austrian china, exquisite floral decorations, reduced from $20.00 to 14.87
Other sets as low as 5.87 and up to 175.00.

Fancy goods

At big reductions

Toilet sets—3 pieces in celluloid case—were $1.50, today at 1.00

Combination boxes—collar and cuff—fancy celluloid—were $1.25, today, 75c

Manicure sets—in fancy celluloid boxes—were 75c, today, 50c

Imported albums—celluloid back—were $1.50, today at only 1.00

Burnt wood boxes—glove or handkerchief—were $1.25, today, 75c

All slippers

At greatly cut prices

Men's holiday slippers—French goat—hand sewed—opera or nullifier styles—$2.00 ones reduced to 1.25—the $1.50 ones reduced to 1.00

Men's slippers—Everitt style—tan or black goat—reduced from 75c to 48c

Women's Juliets—satin quilted—fur trimmed—all colors—reduced from $1.75 to 1.00

Women's felt Juliets—red or black—fur trimmed—hand sewed—reduced from $1.00 to 75c

Candies

And nuts for Xmas

Fancy boxes and baskets, filled with bon bons and chocolates—50c to 3.50

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Salted Valencia almonds, 60c lb.
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Miniature spinning wheels—quite a unique novelty at 15c

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THE PRINCESS LOUISE IS FOUND IN GENEVA, PROF. GIVON IS STOPPING AT SAME HOTEL

Informs Husband She Will Never Return to Saxony's Court.

HER BROTHER ALSO WITH HER

Archduke Ferdinand Renounces His Title and Will Marry Viennese Woman.

AMERICAN OUT OF SCANDAL

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 23.—The Crown Princess Louise of Saxony is here under the name of Fraulein von Oben. Her brother, Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, and Prof. Giron are at the same hotel. The archduke has assumed the name of De Buriano. The party are living quietly and propose to spend Christmas here.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Dresden this evening to the Loyal Anzeiger confirms previous advices from Geneva to the effect that the crown princess of Saxony is in Geneva with Prof. Giron, a French teacher of languages. He is described as 24 years of age and "a striking personality, with large bright eyes."

All the theaters in Dresden are closed tonight. The court of the fugitive princess has been dissolved.

The Tageblatt's Dresden correspondent says: It is reported that the crown prince's accident, ostensibly the breaking of one of his legs while hunting in the Bavarian mountains, near Salzburg, was an invention, the fact being that he had a fight with his brother-in-law, Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, and the crown prince was so badly handled that he had to take to his bed.

Court Closes Storm.

The Saxon ministers say the affair is definitely closed, so far as the Dresden court is concerned. The letters of the crown princess have been seized. She is expected to give birth to a child in May.

DRESDEN, SAXONY, Dec. 23.—King George and the Crown Prince Frederick know where the Crown Princess Louise has sought refuge, but they have decided to accept the estrangement of the princess and her husband as irreparable. They have made the cabinet privy to the circumstances of the princess' flight, and a decree of divorce is talked of as a necessary sequence.

This determination the princess announced to her husband early in November, after one of the frequent violent scenes. She told two or three of her intimate friends of the impossibility of her longer enduring the artificial etiquette of the court and the "forced" companionship of man who was loathsome to her.

The princess wrote to her mother at the end of November that it was her purpose to leave the crown prince and give up the prospect of the queenship.

Mother's Influence Unavailing.

The letter of the princess to her mother brought the archduchess immediately to Dresden. She implored her daughter to reconsider her determination and make the best of an unpleasant situation for the sake of her children. The princess replied that she could see nothing of "that beast, the crown prince; that the tutelage of her children was largely taken out of her hands, and that she could not bear to see them spoiled by "the hypocrisies of the court." What she complained of in the prince was his intemperance, his infidelity and his cruelty of disposition. Partisans of the princess affirm that he has had for years a liaison with an actress named Baste. Though he seemingly had genuine admiration for his wife, the prince did his share of quarreling and often tried to impose his will upon her, but he always hoped that she would in the end humble herself.

The crown princess' days at Salzburg were spent in controversy with her father and mother, who did not excuse her for a moment in her mad desire to leave her position and family. Her brother, Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, took his sister's part.

Step Is Irrevocable.

The circumstances of the princess' flight are still obscure here. The only fact that seems clear is that the king and crown prince know where she is and are in communication with her, but it is learned that she is absolutely intractable.

The theory that the princess is suffering from mental aberration is now only feebly propagated by the Saxon court, and the crown prince's adherents intimate that an illicit love affair is the cause of the princess' desertion.

The Dresdner Nachrichten, after saying it could almost be sorry for the princess, with a disposition incompatible with that of the prince and disliking the etiquette of this court, suggests that "to find the reason for her departure one must find the man."

The man in this case who is associated by gossip with the princess is a handsome Frenchman who was tutor to the princess' children. He was peremptorily discharged by order of the crown prince on December 2.

An instance of the princess' lawless disregard of court manners was her cycling through the streets of Dresden with an American dentist, who, at her request, taught her to ride a wheel, though the king and crown prince commanded her not to learn.

American Escapes Scandal.

The name of this dentist was at first coupled with that of the princess when it was heard that she had disappeared, but as he is quietly living here with his family, the story was dropped.

The crown princess had a lively Viennese manner. She was independent and high-spirited and was inclined to ridicule the observances of the little Saxon court, which takes itself most seriously. The crown prince drove out today with two of his sons.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—The flight of the crown princess of Saxony is the absorbing topic of the day here. All kinds of sensational reports are in circulation. When she left Salzburg, accompanied by her brother, Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, the princess went to Munich, where a French tutor awaited her. Her brother was also joined there by a beautiful Viennese woman, and the two couples proceeded to Brussels and thence to Geneva.

It appears that when the crown prince returned recently to Dresden after his hunting accident in the Tyrol, he discovered secret correspondence exchanged between the princess and the French tutor. Immediately afterward the princess left her home and went to Salzburg. The fact that she took a trunk filled with jewelry and other valuables indicates that she was prepared for an emergency.

Crown Princess Louise of Saxony.

Ferdinand Renounces Rank.

Archduke Leopold Ferdinand has written to Emperor Francis Joseph renouncing his rank and dignities as a member of the imperial house and saying he will become a civil subject. The whole of the archduke's career is redolent with scandal, dating from the time when he started to accompany the heir to the throne on a tour of the world. He only got so far as Colombo, where he was obliged to leave the ship on account of his scandalous behavior.

The archduke has since been mixed up in a number of affairs, and was confined for some months in an asylum.

Archduke Leopold Ferdinand intends to take the name of Leopold Woelfling. Besides formally renouncing his rank and dignities as a member of the imperial house, the archduke has returned all his orders and decorations, including that of the Golden Fleece, and has resigned his commission in the Austrian army. It is expected that he will marry his Viennese companion; his relations prevented him from taking this step morganatically several months ago. The archduke was at one time secretly betrothed to Donna Elvira, the second daughter of Don Carlos, who eloped with Count Filippo Folchi in 1896. He is regarded as weak mentally. He professes to extreme radical and almost anarchistic views.

FREDERICK TEMPLE IS DEAD IN LONDON

Archbishop of Canterbury Passes Away—Death Due to Old Age.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Most Rev. Frederick Temple, archbishop of Canterbury and primate of all England, who had been ill for some time, is dead. He passed away quite peacefully at 8:15 o'clock this morning in the presence of his wife and two sons. His death had been anticipated for some days and only the archbishop's remarkable vitality enabled him to counteract his extreme weakness. The final collapse occurred about 6 o'clock and he was unconscious toward the end. The primate died of old age.

The pathetic scene in Westminster abbey at the coronation of King Edward was one of the earlier indications of the archbishop's failing strength. Then came the collapse in the house of lords at the conclusion of a vigorous speech in support of the education bill. He had not left his bed since. The bishop of Winchester is considered likely to be his successor.

The funeral of the archbishop will take place Saturday at noon in Canterbury cathedral. Mr. White, the United States charge d'affaires, was among the callers at the archbishop's palace today.

STRIKE WAS OBVIATED.

Trouble Was Threatened at Howard Axle Works.

The Yuletide seems to carry an influence against strikes. There was a little flash in the pan of this sort yesterday, at the Howard axle works of the Carnegie Steel Company, West Homestead, which quickly fell of its own weight and the disposition of the superintendent of the plant to readjust matters.

It was proposed, by reason of a rush of work to work about 110 men of the night shift, principally axle turners, from 5:30 o'clock in the evening till 7 in the morning. The men objected, and it is reported that some few quit, the management settling the matter by arranging to let the men work a 12-hour day as before, when they so choose.

THOMPSON NOT TO RESIGN.

Colonel of the Fourteenth Regiment Gives Emphatic Denial to Reports

Col. W. E. Thompson of the Fourteenth regiment, N. G. P., gave emphatic denial last night to the report that he had resigned command of the regiment. The report current was that the resignation had been offered several days ago to the governor and that the latter had requested him to reconsider.

"I have no intention of resigning nor have I sent my resignation to the governor," said Col. Thompson.

Boy Disappeared from Bed.

The police were asked to look for Carl Frank, 14 years old, who made his home with Martha Judd of Esplen. The boy retired as usual on Monday night and was in bed at 1 o'clock. He was missing yesterday morning when the family got up. Lawrence Richardson, a barber, 24 years old, was also reported missing from No. 108 Smithfield street since Tuesday.

FINE NEW CHURCH FOR FRIENDSHIP AVENUE

Presbyterians to Expend $100,000 on Erection of Chapel and Main Building.

Another chapel and church will soon be added to the many sacred edifices adorning the residence district of the East End. The new Friendship Avenue Presbyterian church, which is to be erected at Roup street and Friendship avenue, will be of old Gothic design, and one of the most handsome edifices in the city.

The chapel, which is to be erected next spring, will have a seating capacity of 350 and a number of finely furnished class rooms. When completed it will cost $25,000. The church will be erected later at a cost of $75,000. The chapel will be built of brownstone and the contract will be let in January.

The site on which the edifices will be erected is one of the finest in the East End, being a part of the old Baum estate. It is a perfect square, and has a frontage of 150 feet on each of its four sides.

When the acreage was secured by the congregation a member donated a plot of ground for a parsonage. This plot has a frontage of 50 feet, with a depth of 150 feet.

The congregation is largely made up of residents of the East End, who have moved there within the past two or three years and who have not associated themselves with any church. It was formed recently with the sanction of the Pittsburgh presbytery, through the efforts of the Rev. J. T. Gibson.

Last September the Sunday school was organized, and through the kindness of the school board services have been held in the Friendship school since. The school board has kindly granted the congregation permission to hold Sunday school services in the school until the completion of their new chapel. The Sunday school has rapidly grown, since its organization last fall, and has now 150 members.

A charter will be applied for on January 17. The applicants are: Roland S. Wilson, J. A. McCready, W. H. Phillips, Samuel M. Bauersmith, W. C. Mohler and James McKibbin.

GAVE FIRE WIDE BERTH.

Sign on Building Indicated That It Was Powder Office.

Fire in the building occupied by Arthur Kirk & Son, in Duquesne way, near Ninth street, yesterday, filled every one in that vicinity with a desire to flee. The police and firemen were considerably surprised to see the people hurrying from the district, as it is usual for a crowd to gather in the vicinity of a fire.

While the firemen worked, the police discovered that the consternation among pedestrians was caused by the following sign on the front of the building, "A Kirk & Son. Mfrs. of Powder and Explosives." The building is used for offices only, and only a few samples of explosives are kept on hand, but the crowd did not know this. The fire originated from an overheated furnace pipe, which ignited the woodwork on the first floor. The damage was slight.

THE WEEK'S DEATH ROLL.

Smallpox, Pneumonia and Violence Caused 48 Deaths.

There were 138 deaths in Pittsburgh last week, according to the report of the bureau of health. Ten were caused by smallpox, 22 by pneumonia, 7 by typhoid fever, 7 by apoplexy, 7 by bronchitis, 3 by consumption and 16 by violence. There were 25 under one year old, 16 from 1 to 10 years and 8 from 70 to 100 years. Thirty-eight died in hospitals. During the week 36 cases of smallpox, 23 of typhoid fever, 12 of scarlet fever and 20 of diphtheria were reported.

At the bureau of health yesterday 10 new cases of typhoid fever, 5 of diphtheria and one of scarlet fever were reported.

Fell Under the Wheels.

Harry Conklin, aged 12, son of John Conklin of Millvale and Etna avenues, Etna, while attempting to jump a freight train on the Pittsburgh & Western railroad near Pine Creek yesterday, slipped and fell under the wheels and his left leg was cut off near the hip. Late last night he was in a very serious condition at the West Penn hospital.

Had a Spelling Bee.

An apple cutting and spelling contest was held last night at Call's college, No. 244 Fifth avenue. Twenty of the best students in the college took part, and the contestants, under the charge of Miss M. Evans, were winners. After the contest addresses were made by the faculty of the school. There were 200 pupils and their friends present.

FOUR THOUSAND DEAD IN RUINS

Excavations at Earthquake Scene Show Appalling Loss of Life.

STATE TREASURE BURIED

Search for Money Covered Up by Catastrophe in Russian Turkestan Is Under Supervision of Police—Aid for Sufferers.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

ASHKABAD, RUSSIAN TURKESTAN, Dec. 23.—Even the worst of the earlier reports of the recent earthquake disaster at Andijan quite under estimates the appalling loss of life. A telegram today from the scene of the catastrophe puts the number of victims in the native quarter of the town at 4,000. Already 800 corpses have been disinterred from the ruins. The work of excavation is progressing slowly.

The state treasury, containing 5,000,000 rubles, is in the ruins and excavations to get the money are carried on under the supervision of a strong cordon of police. The water in the wells has disappeared and a general subsidence of the site of the town is feared. Large numbers of laborers are being sent to excavate.

The shocks continue with increasing violence. The Russian population is camping at the railroad station, where 500 cars are placed at the disposal of the populace. The local government officials are quartered in cars. Sheds for the destitute are being built as rapidly as possible. Free soup kitchens have been started and officials are aiding the departure of the inhabitants by distributing food, money and free railroad tickets.

At St. Petersburg it is estimated that nearly 5,000 have been killed by the earthquake at Andijan. Engineers who are superintending the excavations being made with the view of recovering the buried treasure at the sites of the army department, state treasury, postoffice, etc., and the erection of sheds to shelter the officials and other homeless people report that although the work is progressing as rapidly as possible a month must elapse before even the civil and military authorities will be housed.

The railroads are aiding in the work by all possible means, furnishing free transportation for provisions and materials and conveying the inhabitants free of charge to towns in the government of Ferghana. The cash remittances in aid of the destitute people have thus far been very small.

CITIZENS SHOOT AT FLEEING BURGLARS

Wilkinsburg Aroused by Fusillade That Resulted from Attempt at Theft.

The reports of revolver and rifle shots exchanged between citizens and burglars early yesterday morning aroused the greater portion of Wilkinsburg. There was a perfect shower of bullets for awhile, but nobody was hurt, and the burglars, having failed to enter the house of Dred Arlington, No. 605 Whitney street, escaped.

About 1 a. m. Mr. Arlington was awakened by the sound of breaking glass on the first floor of the house. Jumping from bed and securing his Winchester rifle, he crept down stairs, and, peering into the parlor, saw a man standing in front of the window. Arlington fired, but not before the man had fled down the steps, followed by another.

Herbert M. Troupe, a neighbor, who had been awakened by the breaking glass, joined in the chase with Arlington, being armed with a revolver.

The burglars turned and fired at Troupe and Arlington and continued their flight. They were chased for several blocks, citizens aroused by the fusillade joining in the pursuit.

The burglars fired several times in return, at last getting away in the darkness. The chief of police, Floyd Ross, was notified and hunted without success for the marauders.

The burglars had tried to jimmy open the door of the Arlington house, and failing in that smashed in the window, breaking a large vase that stood in the room.

WILKINSBURG IS BROKE

Improvements to Be Stopped and Borough Force Cut Down to Save Expenses.

The Wilkinsburg treasury is almost empty and there is every indication that all improvements will have to be stopped within the next week, unless the municipal receipts take a sudden spurt. The fiscal year is not up until March and to keep the borough machinery going, considerable cash will have to be obtained from some source. Burgess James Horner last night said that he intends to make a strong effort to secure enough money to keep the borough running.

In order to reduce the expenses to a minimum Street Commissioner William G. Ewing has been instructed to cut down his street cleaning force and to make no improvements that can be postponed until the next year. The other departments have also been ordered to cut expenses at every point.

CERTIFICATES ABOLISHED.

Old Red Tape System in City Controller's Office to Be Discontinued.

The employes of the city controller's office are rejoicing over the fact that after January 1 their work will be lessened by the abolition of the old red tape system of certificates or duplicate warrants. Every month the controller has issued 10,000 certificates, every one of which corresponds to a warrant in the recorder's hands.

When the controller approves the payroll and issues the certificates they are exchanged with the recorder for warrants which he has signed. Beginning with the first of the year the warrants will be sent to the controller after having been signed by the recorder and the controller will issue them direct to city employes and others after he has countersigned them. This change will save a great deal of unnecessary labor and time in the controller's office.

HAPPENINGS OF THE DAY.

—John Haley of No. 46 Williams street was struck by a Suburban car in South Twenty-second street last night. His skull was fractured and he will likely die.

—The Homewood Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, the Rev. Dr. J. P. Pender, pastor, is making preparations to celebrate the clearing of the church of debt. The congregation will close the year by burning a mortgage for $7,000.

CORPORATIONS ASKED POINTED QUESTIONS

Statistics on Mines and Mining Will Be Gathered by the Government.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.

The director of the census, with the co-operation of the chief of the geological survey, is preparing to take the statistics of mines and mining in the United States. Instead of sending agents to the various establishments, schedules will be mailed after New Years to the secretary of every corporation engaged in mining, with a request that information be supplied and inclosed in a return envelope not requiring postage. It is thought this method will expedite the work and result in publication of the reports sooner than if a field force were sent out. It may be necessary later on to send agents out to gather up odds and ends. The law requires the reports to be published not later than July 1, 1904.

Schedules intended for the coal industry will call for the amount of bonds issued and interest paid on them; the preferred and common stock authorized and issued, with dividends, if any; the assessments levied since the organization of the company; the royalties or rent of mine or plant; the total quantity of marketable coal mined during the year, and the average capacity of each mine car in pounds.

In addition to these questions there will be the general ones relating to number of employes, wages, miscellaneous expenses, cost of production, value of product per ton at the mine and kind and quantity of power used. Special mention is directed to the separation of employes employed below and above ground. The information should cover the business year most nearly conforming to the year ending December 31, 1902.

L. W. STRAYER.

WORKMAN ENRICHED BY A LOTTERY PRIZE

St. Louis Egg Candler and His Daughter Will Share $15,000 Christmas Gift.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Christian Cremer and his family will not have to hang up stockings this year for their Christmas gifts. Santa Claus paid them a premature visit Wednesday and left official notification that $15,000 was coming to them as the prize drawn by the elder Cremer and his daughter Katie in a foreign lottery.

Cremer is an egg candler at the commission house of Zelie Bros., and Secretary Shultz transmitted the announcement of his good fortune to him.

"You have won $15,000, according to this telegram, from the lottery," said Mr. Shultz, "but I will wait for confirmation before extending congratulations."

Cremer took the matter in his characteristic, even-tempered way. He was neither excited over the prospect of such a fabulous acquisition nor disturbed over the possibility of the report being unture. A few hours later the wires confirmed the report.

Then all the operatives in the commission house surrounded the lucky man to bestow their congratulations. Some one suggested that he "knock off" for the rest of the day, a proposition that was spurned. Cremer replied that just because luck had at last found him was no sign that he should become a fool.

SEVEN MEN INJURED.

Series of Accidents in Braddock Plants Maim Employes—One Man Was Scalded.

Seven men employed in Braddock and Homestead plants met with serious accidents yesterday. Five were maimed, one was scalded and the other overcome by gas. Hugh Toner, 50 years old and married, of Hawkins station, had his left hand so badly mangled at the Union planing mill that all his fingers and a portion of his hand had to be amputated. Thomas Cassidy, 35 years old, of Bessemer terrace, North Braddock, a laborer in the Edgar Thomson steel works, had his left foot cut off by a train of cinder cars.

Carl Gross, a German, of River avenue, Braddock, had two fingers and a part of his hand amputated at the plant of the Sterling Steel Foundry Company. John Andrahazhic, a laborer at the Edgar Thomson blast furnaces, was overcome by gas and when revived by a physician swore at him for hurting his arm. Frank Sauer, 36 years old, of No. 2202 Penn avenue, Braddock, had his foot frightfully scalded by slipping into a tub of boiling water at the Edgar Thomson plant.

Henry Hall of Homestead had his right hand mashed while unloading a car of metal at the Homestead station. George Smith of Tenth avenue, Homestead, fractured his right arm while at work in the Homestead steel works yesterday morning.

MORE ROLLING STOCK.

Southern Railway Places Order for $4,000,000 Worth Through New York Firm.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—An agreement has been reached between the financial firm of Blair & Co. of New York and the Southern railway by which the above named bankers are to act as the financial agents of the railroad company in the purchase of rolling stock to the amount of $4,144,399.

The new rolling stock is to be delivered to the railroad company during the month of December, 1903, at different points. The list includes the following: Twenty-two consolidated freight engines, 13 passenger engines, 4 switch engines, 2,000 gondola freight cars, 196 ballast cars and 4 distributing cars.

Accident Resulted Fatally.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Patrick Riley of East Greensburg, who was run down by a train at Huff two weeks ago, died this morning at the Westmoreland hospital. He was one of the most prominent railroaders on the Southwest Pennsylvania railroad. He was 43 years old and is survived by his widow and six children.

NEWS FROM THE SUBURBS.

—Mrs. Mary Weigel, 28 years old, is in a serious conditions from burns received while trimming her home in Esplen for Christmas. It is thought she will recover.

—Henry Gross of No. 1316 Evergreen avenue, Millvale, was knocked unconscious and robbed of $26 in money and jewelry valued at $275 near his home by highwaymen Monday night.

—Mrs. William Hott of Chartiers township has asked the police to help her to find her daughter, Annie Hott, 3 years old, whom she alleges was spirited away from home by her husband's father.

—John Silbiter of No. 526 Dickson street, Homestead, yesterday missed a pocketbook containing $285 from his inside coat pocket. The matter was reported to the Homestead police and Silbiter has offered a reward of $100 for the return of the money.

WATTERSON JABS MONROE DOCTRINE

Louisville Editor Assails Famous Deliverance in Characteristic Manner.

IS NO LONGER USEFUL

Says It Is Convenient Weapon of Republican Party to Be Drawn Only When Useful in Political Way—A Source of Danger.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 23.—In the Courier-Journal tomorrow Henry Watterson will further discuss the Monroe doctrine. He will say, in part:

"Now is an excellent occasion to consider the Monroe doctrine with respect to its actual place in the world of international relations, having before us the purpose the clearer to define its meaning and obligations, rather than sit down upon a keg of combustibles and wait for some chance spark to explode it, laying in a single moment the train of consequences a century may not efface.

"Modern invention has revolutionized modern conditions. Whilst we are readjusting the Declaration of Independence and readapting the Constitution to meet these altered conditions, it occurs to us that it were just as well to take up the Monroe doctrine, and since it is not more sacred than its older sisters, but likelier to lead us astray, to look at the situation as it is and as it progresses and portends full in the face.

"Before the war of the sections nothing was so sacred as the Constitution of the United States, but it could not, at least did not, save the institution of African slavery which it had granted and guaranteed. Perhaps it was because they set the Declaration of Independence against it, and by claiming that all men are born free and equal found warrant for emancipation. In like manner the Monroe doctrine has of late years come to be a mighty shibboleth. Strictly speaking, it is no 'doctrine' at all. It is a simple declaration and when it was promulgated a very noble and resonant declaration.

"Let us adhere to it if we must, but precisely as with respect to the Declaration of Independence the south drew the line at the negro, precisely as with respect to the Constitution the Republican party is drawing it on the Cubans, the Filipinos and the Porto Ricans and whatever else that gets in the way of its convenience, may we not begin to ask ourselves how far we propose to carry the Monroe doctrine, having already violated its spirit, if not its letter, in the matter of a part of the territory to come to us as a result of the Spanish war?"

$25,000 FOR A LEG.

Victim of New York Tunnel Accident Secures Verdict Against Railroads.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—A jury this afternoon awarded Albert Adams of New Rochelle a verdict for $25,000 against the New York Central railroad and the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. Mr. Adams had sued for $75,000 damages for injuries sustained in the Park avenue tunnel accident on January 8. Judge Gaynor refused to set aside the verdict.

Mr. Adams is a carriage manufacturer at 804 Broadway, New York. He lost a leg as a result of the accident.

Railway May Lose Franchise.

WELLSVILLE, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The city council and City Solicitor Charles Boyd, have appealed to the county commissioners to revoke the franchise of the East Liverpool & Wellsville Street Railway Company or else compel it to run cars more frequently.

ARE YOU FOND OF SQUIRREL FURS?

Campbell Will Sell Two Sets at Reduced Prices.

The silver gray Russian squirrel fur is the fad of the fashionable this season. Campbell wants to give two generous men a chance to favor their wives with the last two sets in stock.

One is a flat boa, shaped, 60 inches long, with three brown tails at either end and two brown tails finishing off the ends of the silk guard—with a flat Copland pillow muff to match. This elegant $50 set is cut to $40.

The other one is a flat boa, ending in two tabs at each end, with silver medallions as attachments for the silk cord fastener. The muff is the same as the one with the other set. This $50 set is cut to $40.

Doubtless both sets will be sold today.

Excursion Tickets

Will Be Sold Via Pennsylvania Lines December 24th, 25th and 31st, 1902, and January 1st, 1903. They may be obtained to Cleveland, Chicago, Erie, Toledo, New Castle, Youngstown, Wheeling, Columbus, Dayton, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville, and all stations on the Pennsylvania lines. Tickets will be good returning until January 2, 1903.

UNCLE SAM FURNISHES NEW COINS FOR GIFTS

Gold, Silver and Crisp New Paper Money Will Be Found in Many Stockings.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.

Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer of the United States, and George E. Roberts, director of the mint, are playing no small part in the preparations for Christmas. From every section of the union they have been receiving requests for crisp new bills and bright new gold and silver coins to be placed in the stockings of their intended recipients. Every sub-treasury in the country has been flooded with requests to save large amounts of new $1, $2, $5, $10 and even $1,000 and $10,000 bills for persons who choose to give their friends money instead of purchasing gifts that might not be useful or appreciated.

Treasurer Roberts said today: "We have sent out more pieces this year than ever before. During this month we have issued on an average of 500,000 more pieces daily, or an increase of 10 per cent."

The director of the mint adds to the evidence of prosperity as told of by Treasurer Roberts, and says the mints have issued large quantities of bright new gold and silver coins. Even new pennies are in demand this year. Stores want them for change instead of those which have been used.

L. W. STRAYER.

Claims He Was Slandered.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—"Milke is a thief," are the words which Louis Milke believes have damaged his reputation to the extent of $5,000 and today he brought suit to recover that amount from Michael Stoltz, who is alleged to have uttered the statement.

Dispatchers Wages Increased.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Specrease of 10 per cent to all dispatchers on the J. & F. division of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroad was announced today. The advance was effective on December 1.

DR. FENNER'S KIDNEY and Backache CURE

All disease of Kidneys, Bladder, Urinary Organs. Also Rheumatism, Backache, Heart Disease, Gravel, Dropsy, Female Troubles.

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The American League Promoters Still Have Hopes

STILL HOPING FOR FRANCHISE

American League Keeps Pittsburgh Suspended in the Air.

PEDDER GETS BACK

Pittsburgh's franchise in the American League still hangs fire and is liable to remain suspended in the air until after the joint meeting of the peace committee, on January 5. That's what C. J. Pedder says, and he should know, as he attended the American league meeting in Chicago on Monday and got back home yesterday.

Mr. Pedder reports an unanimity of opinion among the American league club owners in favor of Pittsburgh, and if a vote was taken on the subject there is no question as to the result. However, there was no vote taken, as Monday's meeting was converted into a sort of a special meeting for the transaction only of certain business and only that certain matters which had reference to the American's peace committee was considered.

The American league officials seem to have passed the Pittsburgh proposition up to Owner Angus of the Detroit club, and the price he set on his franchise was enough to take the breath away. It amounted in round figures to something like $100,000, and it includes with the franchise a choice assortment of players. It is thought Mr. Angus placed the figures beyond reach because he has no desire to dispose of his Detroit holdings, and being a man of wealth, can afford to indulge in the hobby of a baseball team, even if it does cost him money.

Mr. Pedder spent two days mingling with the American magnates, and he is enthusiastic in their praise. He says there is not a man among them who favors a 12-club league, but they are a unit in favor of two eight-club leagues, working together on peaceful lines. The American league, he says, is not a one-man organization, but each club owner works in the interest of the other and thus form one harmonious body.

Pedder says the matter of a franchise for Pittsburgh was not taken up for consideration, but was discussed outside the meeting by the club owners, and all he talked to seemed quite enthusiastic. There was, however, a general desire not to do anything in the direction forming line until after the meeting of the peace committee next month, when new baseball history is likely to be made. From the talk of the club owners Pedder feels certain this peace committee will have a hard time wrestling with the player question, which is liable to prove a stumbling block to baseball peace.

Pedder was accompanied here by B. F. Shibe, president, Frank Hough, secretary, and Connie Mack, manager, of the Philadelphia Americans. This trio stopped off on the invitation of Mr. Pedder to look at the city as a good site for an American league park here.

The party spent the morning sightseeing in the downtown districts and in the afternoon went out to the Exposition, devoting a few hours to an inspection of the proposed new park. Almost every foot of the ground was gone over and the Philadelphians were quite enthusiastic over the situation. The trio left for home at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and assured the Pittsburgher they would do all in their power to land a franchise here.

Pedder says that as far as he is concerned he is through now, and if the American league wants Pittsburgh in the circuit it is for that organization to act. The officials know the exact condition of things here and it will not be necessary to do any more talking or tracking. He, however, feels certain that when the circuit is finally made up that this city will be included in it.

Ban Mulford, Jr., who attended the American league meeting at Chicago on Monday, writes the Cincinnati Enquirer as follows:

"After adjournment both Angus and Pontet sat in the old family lounge in the Grand Pacific lobby. Each of them had a Johnsonian cigar and they talked earnestly until train time. Most of the moguls who cared to discuss the matter expressed the opinion that Detroit with one club and peace would be a better proposition than two clubs in Pittsburgh. Promoter Pedder, however, has been talking rag-time, sleeping for conflicting dates, and expressing the opinion that his team—now in the air—would outdraw the Pirates two to one. Another expression like that and his hat might look like a fleece.

"Charles W. Spencer is generally looked upon as the sponsor of Pedderian era, and it is certainly prolific of much speculation."

DREYFUSS TALKS SHOP.

Pirates' President Tells Louisville People a Few Things About Baseball.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Dec. 23.—Barney Dreyfuss, president and owner of the Pittsburgh baseball club, arrived yesterday with his family to spend the holidays. Mr. Dreyfuss will remain here for two weeks, and he will then proceed to Florida to remain until next March.

"I have come here for rest," said Mr. Dreyfuss. "I have been full of baseball for six months and need a good rest, and am going to take it. Yes, I look for peace to be declared between the rival leagues, but I have not been invited to the peace conference in Cincinnati, set for January 5, and of course will not attend it unless I am called on. I have perfect faith in the members of our peace commission—Messrs. Herman, Hart and Robison—and will abide by anything they may do."

"What about the American league's entering Pittsburgh?" was asked.

"Well, replied the Pirates' owner, "I am not reliably informed as to that. I will say I am not worried in the least. I have a championship team. I have the Pittsburgh people with me; I have the park and the location and am firmly established, while the other fellows have not even a franchise as yet. This puts me on easy street. They are making their talk, but I am not paying any attention to them. I don't think they are worth bothering about. I am very well satisfied with my condition at present, thank you."

The latest in the movement to get an American league team in Pittsburgh are Mr. Dreyfuss' old partners—W. W. Kerr and P. L. Auten.

"I don't know why Auten and Kerr want to get an American league club for Pittsburgh unless they desire to re-enter baseball again," said Mr. Dreyfuss. "They have never tried to get back in my club. In fact, I have never been approached since I bought them out. They lost money in Pittsburgh, while I made money there. This is about all there is to it."

HAS THE FEVER BADLY.

Homestead Is All Worked Up Over Basketball and Great Rivalry Exists.

Homestead has developed about as bad a case of basketball fever as the Western Pennsylvania district has ever been guilty of. The Homestead Library and Athletic club is the prime mover in the activity being displayed in the gymnasium game, and having organized a six-club league among its members, is now working upon a ten-club organization to embrace the five ward schools of Homestead, Munhall, West Homestead, Homeville and any others that are anxious to compete in the new league.

The H. L. A. C. is offering a prize for this school league as an inducement for the several wards to put teams in the field, and the play is to start right after the holidays. Five of the teams will come from the ward schools of the steeltown and the balance from the outskirts.

In the Homestead club league there has been the greatest rivalry, and when it is considered that three seasons ago a few Pittsburgh enthusiasts who journeyed out for the use of the H. L. A. C. gymnasium floor had all the basketball enthusiasm in the club, the growth of the interest in the game certainly speaks volumes for the steady increase in basketball's popularity.

The Young Americans now lead the H. L. A. C. league, with the Red Stockings second. The other members are the All Whites, Crescents, Giants and the Laboratory team, composed of employes in the laboratory of the Carnegie Steel Company.

THE KING'S RACE HORSES.

His Stable Includes Many Fast Thoroughbreds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—His majesty, the king of England, is the owner of 46 thoroughbreds, including the Derby winners, Diamond Jubilee and Persimmon, and the beautiful horse, Florizel II., all three of these being full brothers. There are at Edgerton house, Newmarket, 22 racehorses in training under the care of Richard Marsh; at Sandringham there are 16 brood mares, and the remainder of the king's possessions in the thoroughbred way are foals, soon to be called yearlings, the steeplechaser Ambush and a stable companion who leads him in his work.

Nearly all the great successes achieved on the turf by King Edward must be attributed to his lucky purchase of his now famous mare Perdita II., for 44,500, which was recommended by the famous trainer, John Porter.

Will Play Football.

The Swissvale Semaphores will play the H. L. A. C. association football team at Steel Works park, Homestead, tomorrow. The Swissvale team will go to Homestead strong to make up for several recent defeats.

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THREE FAVORITES WERE AT THE FRONT

New Orleans Stewards Are Still After the Suspicious Stables and Jockeys.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—Fading Light, Hayward Hunter and Flocarline were the winning favorites. The stewards have recommended that entries of horses belonging to the firm of Hatfield & Ownby be refused for the remainder of the meeting, and also that the suspension of Jockey Hicks be continued indefinitely. Weather fair, track fast. Summaries:

First race, 5 furlongs—Fading Light, 108, Gannon, 5 to 2, won; Sweet Nell, 103, Boissen, 18 to 5, second; Candareen, 108, Scully, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:03. Woodmont Belle, Ditto, Fair Lass, Vestia, Offset, Nicolaite, Mamie Raus and Varana Forno also ran.

Second race, selling, 7 furlongs—Paul Creyton, 108, O'Neil, 20 to 1, won; Tillo, 109, Buchanan, 11 to 10, second; Playlike, 100, Treanor, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:29 1-5. The Messenger, The Caxton, Chorus Boy, Parnassus, Tickful, Blue Blazes and Macie Marie also ran.

Third race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Vesuvia, 113, Robertson, 8 to 1, won; Charles Ramsey, 113, C. Wright, 4 to 1, second; Nettie Regent, 108, Buchanan, 13 to 5, third. Time, 1:50 3-5. Glospray, Miss Shanley, Mary More, Bayonne, Aline Abbott, King Harlequern, Wunderlich, Ethonlene and Major also ran.

Fourth race, handicap, 1⅛ miles—Major Mansir, 104, Gannon, 2 to 1, won; Barrack, 105, Helgerson, 15 to 1, second; Jessie Jarboe, 109, Hoar, 7 to 5, third. Time, 2:00 4-5. Adelante also ran.

Fifth race, selling, mile and 5 furlongs—Hayward Hunter, 86, Fuller, 6 to 5, won; Lady Chorister, 107, Otis, 7 to 5, second; Cogswell, 105, Gannon, 7 to 2, third. Time, 2:52 3-5. Potheen, Hattie Davis and Trocadero also ran.

Sixth race, mile—Flocarline, 110, Helgeson, 1 to 10, won; Wikal, 101, Gannon, 10 to 1, second; Handspinner, 101, Bolsson, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:45. Floyd K., Pirate and Welcome also ran.

Entries for tomorrow:

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Maxim, 107; Lemoyne, Bushnell, 102; Wandoodle, Hiram Johnson, John Potter, Major Tenny, Thane, Lawrence M., 109.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Emir, Agnes Mack, 90; Hindi, Shrine, 100; Athanla, Mrs. Frank Foster, Latulia, Irene Mac, Harry, Daddy Bender, 109; Ring Dove, Farmer Jim, 112.

Third race, selling, 6½ furlongs—Sure Johnson, Eva Rice, 96; Boondice, Montalie, Iris, Zackford, Sister Kate H., Kiss Quick, Limelight, Ben Frost, 103; The Bronze Demon, 105; Boomerack, 108.

Fourth race, mile—Elsie L., Ray, 102; Little Scout, 105; Artena, Rough Rider, Fotenie, 107; Nitrate Antonius, Kilogram, 110.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Pearl Finder, 94; Marcos, 99; Croesus, 100; Annie Laurettta, 101; Messenger, 101; Scotch Plaid, Masketa, 102; Satin Coat, 103; Sarilla, 105; Pete Duryea, 106.

Sixth race, selling, 6½ furlongs—Flaneur, 100; Georgia Gardiner, 102; Morino, Shut Up, Maladroit, 104; Hamilton, 107; Red Sir Walter, Criterion, 108; Prince of Melrose, 110; Alfred C., 111; Frank Kenny, 112.

THE INGLESIDE RACES.

Long Shots Proved to Be the Good Things.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Weather clear; track good.

First race, 7 furlongs, selling—Hungarian, 103, Minder, 8 to 5, won; Hutch Miller, 103, Birkenruth, 15 to 1, second; Nantle, Nolan, 102, Akins, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:30. St. Anthony, Sam Lazarus, Sunello, Ragnarok and Rose of Elko also ran.

Second race, Futurity course—The Weaver, 112, Bullman, 4 to 1, won; Malaspina, 109, Ransch, 4 to 1, second; Black Thora, 115, Burns, 2 to 1, third. Time, 2:14½. Tamus, Irma, Golden Cottage, Nellie Hawthorne and Platonius also ran.

Third race, ⅛ mile, selling—Kickunbob, 98, Reed, 12 to 1, won; Farsifal, 103, Birkenruth, 15 to 1, second; St. Rica, 103, W. Waldo, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:20. Alohos, General Cronje, Gawaine, I Ioned and Reybodee also ran. 118,

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Jahtar, 90, Connell, 5 to 1, won; Artilla, 110, Bullman, 5 to 1, second; Galanthus, 99, Carson, 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:50. Edin, Prima, Expedient, Blessed Damozel, Beana, Antolee, Larry Wild and Forte also ran.

Fifth race, 11-16 mile, selling—Lady Jocelyn, 106, Minder, 3 to 1, won; The Major, 109, Ransch, 6 to 5, second; Little Margaret, 98, Reed, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:10½. Honey Suckle, Salver, Suiteimo, Steparound, Tamm, Vigoroso and Onyx II. also ran.

Sixth race, mile, purse—Diderot, 103, Minder, 8 to 1, won; Hilowaine, 102, Ransch, 2 to 1, second; Margue, 98, Donnelly, 3 to 2, third. Time, 1:43. Lord Badge also ran.

Entries for tomorrow:

First race, 7 furlongs, selling—Matin Bell, 107; Ravine, 102; Chappie, 102; St. Rica, 102; Claudator, 97; Toy Dare, 110; Nonie, 101; Montana Decress, 102; Briscoe, 97; Dr. Barnays, 96; Methrox, 101; Ronnie Lassack, 102.

Second race, mile, selling—Nigrette, 70; Dora Weir, 84; Alamaric, 82; Kickumbob, 105; Dotterell, 84; John F. Finerty, 75; Gillie, 82; Escarola, 79; Quatre, 74; Ianacio, 105.

Third race, 7 furlongs, selling—Mission, 107; Sugins, 107; Homage, 107; Quizz II., 107; Ned Dennis, 111; Sea Lion, 114; Assessment, 117; Pat Morrisay, 107; Moconito, 107; Louwelsea, 109; Jim Gore II., 111.

Fourth race, mile, handicap—Kenilworth, 131; Hunchback, 108; The Fretter, 118; Sad Sam, 112.

Fifth race, Futurity course, purse, 2-year-olds—Iris, 104; Cassius, 104; St. Whitfrede, 107; Blue Miracle, 104; Fossil, 101; The Owl, 104; Sullicho, 104; Sylvia Talbot, 107; Hudson, 107.

Sixth race, mile, selling—Rio Shannon, 103; Frank Woods, 100; Milas, 98; Sleeping Child, 93; Horton, 112; Velma Clark, 103; Stuyve, 102.

IT WAS ONLY A JOKE.

Kid McCoy Did Not Steal That $1,000 Bill.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Norman Selby, the pugilist, known as Kid McCoy, has been exonerated from the charge of stealing a $1,000 bill from David Lamar.

In withdrawing the charge today Lamar explained to the police that he had been the victim of a practical joke perpetrated by some friends of his with whom he was drinking in Selby's saloon.

APPEALED THE CASE.

W. C. Temple Will Fight the Football Judgment.

W. C. Temple took an appeal yesterday afternoon from the decision of Alderman J. V. McMasters, who rendered judgment against him and Manager David J. Berry of the defunct Pittsburgh Football Association some weeks ago, for salaries due half a dozen players on the team.

The judgments amount to about $1,100.

RED AND WHITE TEAM'S VICTORY

P. A. C. Defeated Keystone 4 to 1, in Erratic Hockey Game.

NEW MEN DO WELL

In an erratic hockey game, which was more warmly contested than the score of 4 to 1 indicates, the P. A. C. team last night defeated the champion Keystone seven before a crowd which was largely composed of the enthusiastic supporters of the old East End organization, whose name and colors are now upheld by the red and white skaters. While the contest was strenuous enough at times and offered sufficient of fast individual play to please the crowd, it did not offer enough of scientific team play and was not evenly enough contested throughout to be regarded as a satisfactory exhibition of the Canadian ice game.

The most distinctive feature was the improved showing by the Keystones, who played their best game of the season. They held the skaters who defeated them at the last meeting 7 to 1 on an even footing until the last part of the second half.

Two Kinds of Play.

It was a case of brilliant and spirited individualism on the part of P. A. C. against consistent effort for team play on the part of the weaker seven. Lake, the Keystone's new man, made a good showing and will further strengthen the team when he learns to know the ice better. Shepherd, at goal for P. A. C., had a number of hard shots in the first half.

The strength of team play, even if not overly fast, is such that Keystone would have had a very even thing of it against the faster red and white seven if the latter had not played an ill-judged game. Bish and McArthur repeatedly left their positions uncovered.

As for the P. A. C.'s game, the team can never win a championship on the hockey displayed last night, even if it was sufficient to defeat Keystone and to enthuse the crowd. The irresistable forward line of Reynor, Robinson and Shields or McCarron working together to sweep toward the goal was not once seen in effective play, while instead Reynor and others electrified the crowd with artful juggling of the puck, which any fast man can accomplish against a weak defense. It is safe to wager that last night's game by P. A. C. would not have won against the Bankers or Victorias.

Lots of Tripping Done.

The game was replete with tripping and ugly stick chopping, with a fitful dose of punishment here and there by the referee. McCarron was guilty of one of the most deliberately and open offenses of the season. In the first half, after Gordon had body checked him into the boards, McCarron deliberately followed him on the top of the head with his stick. He was promptly relegated to the bench for five minutes, the extreme penalty outside of removals from the game.

The first half was very fast and rather ragged in spots. Both teams started out at a hot pace, but were forced to relax somewhat. The first goal was scored by Shields, who got three during the game. Shields took the puck down and passed to McCarron, who in turn gave the rubber to Robinson. Shields was shooting wild of the net all night.

It was only a matter of minutes after the score of Robinson until Keystone tied. From a scrimmage around the home net Bish got the puck and carried it down the ice with Lake keeping pace. He passed to the new man, who shot goal.

Before the close of the half McCarron placed P. A. C. in the lead, taking the puck down in a fast rush. Then he obtained his opponents and made a long angle shot for the goal.

At the opening of the second half there was a great deal of penalizing for tripping, while Young and Bish were both retored for an open brawl. It was near the end of the half that P. A. C. scored in quick succession the two goals. Here, Bish was been away from the net, was hardly in his position when Shields came to Robinson for a close shot. Not 30 seconds later Robinson made the score 4 to 1, getting the puck from McCarron. The line-up:

P. A. C.—4.		Keystone.
Shepherd	Goal	Hern
Hamilton	Point	Bish
Young	Cover point	Mcarthur
Robinson	Center	Lake
Reyon	Forward	Hendry
McCarron	Left wing	Gordon
Shields	Right wing	Taylor

Goals—Robinson 3, Lake, McCarron. Referee—Bert Russell.

HENDRY,
Who Played Forward for Keystone Last Night.

STILL AFTER MONROE.

Manager Ball Offers Him $1,000 to Stay Four Rounds With Champion Jeffries.

BUTTE, MONT., Dec. 23.—Clark Ball, manager of J. J. Jeffries, today posted a forfeit of $1,000, which he will pay Jack Monroe, amateur champion heavyweight of the Pacific coast if he can stay four rounds with Jeffries in a battle for a knockout.

Monroe secured the decision and $250 here last Saturday night by staying four rounds with the champion. The bout may take place here this week.

Champion Jeffries when asked for his version of Saturday night's sensational bout with Monroe, said:

"I would have staked my life that the affair proceeded for another round I would have put him out. I had him going and it was only a question of a few more minutes."

"To what do I attribute the fact that the first decision ever rendered against me in the prize ring was due?"

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"To be frank, it was out of condition. That is to say, I have done absolutely no work since my fight with Fitz in San Francisco, yet had I had a few minutes more to warm up there would have been something doing, and there would never have been a second round. If he secures a match with Sharkey, as I understand he contemplates doing, he will beat the sailor. But all this talk about me allowing him to stay four rounds for a preliminary engagement is bosh. I never saw him before, but must admit he surprised me with his ability to withstand punishment. I believe he is a comer, provided he will learn to box a little and stop leading on gerbalship. He certainly has a good punch and will even today make some of the second-raters look like selling platers. But if he comes from Australia next month, don't understand he is figuring on doing, as will show him a trick or two. I will finish him in just one round or lay aside all pretensions as forecaster of pugilistic events. I certainly hope to meet him again."

WILL NOT PLAY HERE.

Yale Basketball Team Gives Up Its Pittsburgh Trip.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 23.—The proposed Christmas trip of the Yale basketball team to Western Pennsylvania has been given up on account of the cancellation of several games which were to have been played in and near Pittsburgh.

The Yale team will probably play a game with the Philadelphia team on January 3.

Basketball Notes.

South Side plays a better game under the A. A. U. rules than the National.

Those last five minutes were a treat and made up for the tedious interruptions of the first half.

Lou Scible says his Carnegie team is in the race to stay, and feels confident of coming in first, two or three.

Little's work in running the ball in the second half was excellent and helped to increase the speed of the game.

Leithead's goals were a little slow in coming and it was not until after Joes got shook up that he got back with two pretty shots.

The preliminary to the Manchester-Charleroi game next Saturday night will be played by the Manchester Juniors and the Knoxville Juniors.

McMahon of Sterling had a whole bunch of luck with him in the game with Manchester Junior last Monday night. This was also true of Bertges.

The chap that has Nickel beaten at center has yet to appear. "Nick" is there both in the air and on the floor, also when it comes to shooting.

Coach Lehman is putting his Charleroi team through a hard dose of training this week for their game with the East Manchester five on Thursday night.

It is probable that the Mt. Oliver Juniors and the Manchester Juniors will meet in the preliminary to the Buffalo-Manchester game next Wednesday night.

Leibau played a better game last night than he has put up for some time. All over the floor, active in defense and right in line when it came his time to shoot.

The mutes were a wiry lot of chaps and inclined to make many rough plays after the whistle had blown, for which, of course, they were not altogether to blame.

Capt. Leithead gave his friends in the second half a shock; his opponent played crack the whip with Joe and gave him a hard fall, disqualification of the offender was very properly ordered.

It is an impossibility to pick the winner in the Allegheny County Junior league race at the present time. The majority of the teams are evenly matched as it is possible for them to be. What one team lacks in science, it makes up in the matter of weight, and vice versa.

The D. C. and A. C. basketball team will play at Butler Christmas night. All the boys are in the best of shape for the game and feel confident of coming back with a victory. Harry Yeager please take notice; meet at Pittsburgh & Western railroad at 3 o'clock sharp.

The Indiana basketball team will play the Homestead team in the Homestead opera house next Saturday evening. The Indiana team has been reorganized by Lutz, formerly of Homestead, and several star players added. The Homestead team is now in excellent shape and is considered the best team the town has ever had.

The German Y. M. C. A. team, which is slated to play at Manchester next Wednesday night, New Year's eve, has played two games so far this season. Both were victorious. Hamilton was defeated 34 to 22 and Rochester, N. Y., went down 60 to 6. The Buffalo team is the champion amateur team in the United States.

Tannehill, Manchester Junior's star forward, can throw goals both from field and foul, with the best of them. O'Neil is his side partner, covers more ground than any other forward in the Junior league. These two players set along together more harmoniously than any other pair of forwards in the two cities. The average weight of these two is 165 pounds.

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SILENT FIVE WENT DOWN TO BAD DEFEAT

South Side Team Too Much for the New Yorkers--Juniors Put Up Fast Contest.

The Silent Five basketball team of New York lost to South Side in the game at Odd Fellows hall last night after a hard contest by the score of 30 to 13. The visitors, though handicapped in not being able to kick with their tongues, ably held their own on this score through other means.

They were a well-trained, fine-looking bunch of athletes that trotted out on the floor shortly before time was called, and the preliminary practice was marked by some interesting work that the large audience enjoyed. The game was somewhat rough in spots, the visitors coming in for severe censure from the spectators on several occasions. South Side displayed their best team play of the season.

The first half was played under National league rules, which are in vogue here, and the score ended 12 to 6 in the locals' favor. Leibau was the possessor of the opportunity to shoot the first field goal of the game shortly after Prof. Cook started the game. Nickel soon followed with another right off the reel from center. Leibau then tallied a foul goal and Nick landed another from center play through Leibau's fine pass. Fisher in the meantime had scored two pretty goals from field for the visitors. There were a good many stoppages during the first half, resulting from the different style of play in use in the east and west and the interpretation of the rules, which tended to detract from the interest in the game.

The second half was played under A. A. U. rules, with which the visitors are familiar, and here it was that South Side came to the scratch with an exhibition of fine team play and some good shooting, every player in the line-up landed a goal, while Leibau had four. The visitors made things exceedingly interesting in the last ten minutes, but were unable to make any impression on South Side's lead. Fisher played an excellent game for the visitors. Nickel and Leibau were at the head of the procession for the victors. Score and line-up.

South Side—30.		Silent Five—13.
Leibau	Forward	Fisher
Leithead	Forward	Dyer
Nickel	Center	Varley
Winderknecht	Guard	Muench
Davis	Guard	Owens

Goals from field—Nickel 4, Leibau 3, Leithead 2, Winderknecht, Williamson, Varley 2, Fisher 3. Goals from foul—Leibau 4, Fisher 5. Substitutions—Williams for Davis, Muench for Varley, Goodman for Owens, Brown for Muench. Officials—Prof. Cook and Little.

The fast South Side Juniors defeated the Tigers of Allegheny in a fast preliminary game by the score of 24 to 5. This was the Tigers' second and the South Side's first league game, and was interesting because of the comparison that can now be placed on some of the leaders of the race.

South Side played a steady game throughout and their scoring was all well earned. Although not at its best, the game the locals played fast and showed great improvement over their previous exhibitions and elicited shouts of approval from the attendance when it was known what novices they are. The score and line up:

South Side—24.		Tigers—5.
Yockle	Forward	Chatkin
Meyers	Forward	McGiffin
Pfaadt	Center	Fleming
Rochn	Guard	Robson
Sprout	Guard	Trefaller, Elton

Goals from field—McGiffin, Chatkin, Yockle 5, Pfaadt 1, Sprost 2, Roehn 2. Goals from foul—Pfaadt 4, Robson. Referee—Leithead. Timekeeper—President Luckhardt.

Butterworth Still Coach.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Horace Butterworth has been appointed director of physical culture and athletics at the Northwestern university, taking the place of Dr. Hollister. He is to have sole charge of all the men's athletics at the western university and will take his new position January 1.

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MEN for U. S. army; able bodied unmarried men, between ages of 21 and 35; citizens of United States of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For information apply to Recruiting Officer, 510 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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FOR SALE—26 shares of Chartiers Valley Railroad stock belonging to estate of James Rapp, dec. Moses Hickman, Canonsburg, Pa.

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LOST.

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LOST—On Friday evening, between Grand opera house and Market st. on Fifth ave, a lady's gold watch. Reward if returned to Mecca Pharmacy, Elliott borough.

LOST—On Dithridge st., between Fifth ave. and Bayard, small gold watch fob, with gold ring attached. Reward for return. 126 Linden ave., East End.

LOST—A white and brindle colored bull terrier. Liberal reward will be paid for his return to 6024 Jackson st., East End.

PERSONAL.

DR. USSOURD, formerly of Herron Bldg., is now located at 308 Sandusky st., Allegheny; scientific massage, chiropody and manicure to exclusive patronage.

PERSONAL—Alcohol rubbings and magnetic treatments. 504 Penn ave., room 2, 2d floor.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the court of common pleas No. 2 of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, the 10th day of January, A. D. 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the act of assembly of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, A. D. 1874, and the supplements thereto, by Reuben Miller, John G. Holmes, William B. Schiller, R. B. Mellon, R. H. Boggs, J. Ramsey Speer, John Barr, Wm. Flinn, Robert Pitcairn, George T. Oliver, Joseph R. Woodwell, C. T. F. Lovejoy, W. E. Corey, William W. Smith and William A. Carr, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called The Union House of Pittsburg, the character and object of which is the maintenance of a club for social enjoyments, in particular encouraging social intercourse among its members by providing dining facilities, a reading room and a place where its members may meet for the discussion of their social and business affairs, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly and the supplements thereto. Chandler, McGill & McCluing, Solicitors for Applicants.

F. J. ORTH, Attorney-at-Law, Bakewell Law building, Pittsburgh, Pa. State of Pennsylvania, county of Allegheny, ss.: In the court of common pleas No. 2, No. 347, July term, 1902. Wm. S. Ferree vs. Florence Ferree, in divorce a vinculo matrimonii. To Florence Ferree, respondent: You are hereby notified that the above has been put at issue and that testimony will be taken by the said court at the Allegheny county court house, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Monday, the 26th day of January, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as suits the convenience of the court, when and where you may attend if you see proper. F. J. Orth, Allegheny, Pa., Plaintiff's Attorney.

W. R. EBERETT, Attorney-at-Law, No. 608 Diamond street, Pittsburgh. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Frank Armstrong, deceased, late of Crafton, Allegheny county, Pa., have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay. Samuel C. Fogg, Administrator.

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IN the court of quarter sessions of Allegheny county. The application of Isabella Kelly to transfer the retail liquor license heretofore granted to her for the premises No. 1228 Braddock avenue, Braddock, to the premises No. 827 Thirteenth st., Braddock, has been filed in the clerk's office, and the same will be heard by the court on Saturday, January 3, at 10:30 a. m. George Seiler, Clerk.

WARREN I. SEYMOUR, Attorney-at-Law, 708 Frick building. Notice is hereby given that ancillary letters of administration, on the estate of Arthur Sidman, deceased, late of Rhinebeck, county of Dutchess, New York, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons having claims or demands against the same must make them known without delay. Samuel C. Fogg, Administrator.

CHANTLER, M'CILL & M'CLUING, Attorneys-at-Law, No. 1116 Park building, Pittsburgh. Notice—Application will be made to the governor of Pennsylvania on the 2d day of January, 1903, by Bert C. Vaughn, Robert L. Jamison and Harry A. Hunter, under the act of assembly, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called Piper Friction Draft Gear Company, the character and object of which is the manufacture and sale of railway specialties and other articles of commerce made from iron, steel or other metals, as Pittsburgh Alloy Steel Company, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly and the supplements thereto. Chantler, McGill & McCluing, Solicitors for Applicants.

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ELECTION NOTICE.

Office of the National Glass Company, Eighth street and Penn avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the National Glass Company held at the principal office of the company, at the corner of Penn avenue and Eighth street, in the city of Pittsburgh, on Monday, the 16th day of February, 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of giving or withholding consent to a proposition to issue preferred stock in exchange for a portion of the outstanding stock of the company in certain proportions of stock and cash, as may be determined at said meeting.
ALEXANDER THOMPSON, Secretary.

Monongahela National Bank, Sixth ave. and Wood st., Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner of Sixth avenue and Wood street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Union National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fourth avenue and Market street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of one (1) and three (3) o'clock p. m.
C. F. DEAN, Cashier.

The Federal National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for 15 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth avenue and Smithfield street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.
C. W. EISENBEIS, Cashier.

Farmers Deposit National Bank, Pittsburgh, Dec. 11, 1902.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, to elect directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 220 Fourth avenue, on TUESDAY, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.
J. W. FLEMING, Cashier.

Ohio Valley Bank of Allegheny, Allegheny, Pa., December 21, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 638 and 640 Preble ave., on Tuesday, January 20, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
F. B. REYNOLDS, Cashier.

First National Bank of Birmingham Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 1201 Carson street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
DANIEL BEECH, Cashier.

Western Savings & Deposit Bank, Pittsburgh, Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for eleven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 631 Smithfield st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
CHARLES E. SCHUETZ, Cashier.

The Diamond National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for seven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth ave. and Union st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.
H. C. WETTENGEL, Cashier.

Exchange National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of the Exchange National Bank of Pittsburgh will be held at the banking house, No. 240 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
LOWRY COOKE, Cashier.

The Lincoln National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for 13 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 533 Smithfield street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.
W. R. CHRISTIAN, Cashier.

The German National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
GEORGE SEEBICK, Cashier.

Pennsylvania National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Penn avenue and Butler street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 2 p. m.
R. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Workingmans Savings Bank & Trust Co., Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Ohio and Madison aves. on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m.
CHAS. G. WAHL, Asst. Cashier.

Merchants and Manufacturers National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn ave. and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
J. M. RUSSELL, Cashier.

The German National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

German National Bank, Allegheny, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 709 Ohio street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
ALBERT HELM, Cashier.

Allegheny National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 239 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock a. m.
W. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.

Iron City National Bank of Pittsburgh, No. 232 Fourth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—An election for thirteen directors to serve during the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 232 Fourth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 p. m.
CHAS. S. LINDSAY, Cashier.

Third National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 526 and 528 Wood st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hour of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
OCDEN RUSSELL, Cashier.

Liberty National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors, to serve this bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, 6101 Penn ave., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 p. m.
H. H. WOODS, Cashier.

Columbia National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth ave. and Market st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
P. A. GRIFFIN, Cashier.

The Peoples National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

NOTICE OF ELECTION—The annual election for directors for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 409 Wood st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 p. m.
ROBERT WARDROP, Cashier.

The First National Bank of Allegheny, Allegheny Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 424 Federal st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon.
F. R. KRAMER, Cashier.

Tradesmens National Bank, United States Depository, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
H. M. LANDIS, Cashier.

Commercial National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, Nos. 329 and 331 Fourth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
H. W. BICKEL, Cashier.

The National Bank of Western Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—Election for 15 directors of this bank, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn ave. and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
GEORGE S. MACRUM, Cashier.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 15, 1902.
South Side Cemetery.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this corporation to elect directors for the ensuing year will be held at the Iron & Glass Dollar Savings Bank, 1115 Carson st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, at 2 p. m.
A. M. HAMMETT, Secy.

Fifth Ward National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
A. W. HERRON, Cashier.

First National Bank of Verona, Verona, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 3 and 4 p. m.
W. E. BARGAR, Cashier.

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE.

HOLIDAY GOODS, ROCKERS, MUSIC CABINETS, TABLES, COUCHES, SIDEBOARDS, CHINA CASES, BRASS BEDS, PIANO, COMFORTS, BLANKETS, CARPETS, ALSO LARGE STOCK OF TOYS, BOOKS, DOLLS, ETC., TUESDAY, DEC. 23D, AT 10 O'CLOCK, AT THE ROOMS OF THE HENRY AUCTION CO., 124 AND 126 NINTH ST., PITTSBURGH.

Handsome Mahogany Piano, Music Cabinet, Fine Bric-a-Brac Cabinet, Fancy Tables, Chairs and Rockers, Leather Suite and Couch, Sideboards, China Closets, Extension Tables, Leather Chairs, etc., Chamber Suites in Oak and Mahogany, Wardrobes, Fine Brass Beds, Springs and Bedding, Large Line of Carpets for rooms and halls. Also at 2 o'clock, the closing sale of Toys, Books, Dolls, Stationery, Furniture, etc.

HENRY AUCTION CO.,
Auctioneers.

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TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

Dolls, Books, Furniture. This day at the rooms of the Henry Auction Co., 124 Ninth st., Pittsburgh. Positively the closing sale.
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Don't Borrow Money From Your Friends For Christmas

The easiest way to lose a friend is to borrow money from him. It's our business to lend money and we will lend you whatever amount you wish at 6 per cent—the lowest rate charged in Allegheny county. We accept as security a watch, diamonds, jewelry, furs, clothing or any other article of value. All business private and confidential.

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Market Street Loan Office
214 Market Street,
Near Third Avenue.
CAPITAL $250,000.00.

"THE HOLIDAYS"
are close at hand.
Won't you need temporary money?
COME EARLY TO AVOID RUSH.
SALARY LOANS on your note.
No mortgage, indorser or publicity.
WE MEET AND BEAT COMPETITION.
"Call and see how much."
Bring this ad for FREE papers.
NOTHING DEDUCTED IN ADVANCE.
Every $1 paid off loan reduces cost.
PRIVATE transaction in PRIVATE office.
"NO ONE NEED EVER KNOW."
PENN TRUST CO.,
Room 17—Second floor, 337 Smithfield St.—Room 17.
Cor. Third ave. P. & A. 'Phone 1179 Main.
Open Evenings Until Christmas.

HERE IT IS.
Salary loans, furniture loans. Give us a call before going elsewhere. Our rates are the lowest.
PITTSBURGH CREDIT CO.,
336 Fourth ave., room 801 Times building.

MONEY TO LOAN—In sums to suit on household furniture, pianos, etc., without removal; also on good collateral security; easy payments; confidential.
J. C. H. SMITH, 413 Fourth ave.

MONEY LOANED.
Salaried people holding permanent positions; reasonable rates; strictly confidential.
O'Donnell & Co., Room 414, 347 Fourth ave.

Mortgage Loans.

MONEY TO LOAN on easy monthly payments. PENN LOAN ASSOCIATION, 243 Fourth ave.

MONEY to Loan on mortgages and collateral securities. The Public Trust Co., 226 4th ave.

MONEY to Loan from $100 up; bring dead; no delay. Real Estate Mortgage Co., 12 Federal st.

MONEY to loan on mortgages.
W. F. WEITERSHAUSEN, 117 Ohio st., Ally.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Second National Bank of Pittsburgh, United States Depository, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of voting for or against amending Article 3, of the Articles of Association, to read: "The board of directors shall consist of not less than seven nor more than fifteen stockholders," instead of "not less than seven, nor more than eleven stockholders," and to elect directors for the ensuing year.
THOS. W. WELSH, JR., Cashier.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh, 245-247 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Cosmopolitan National Bank, Wood and Liberty Streets, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—To elect directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Wood and Liberty streets Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
D. J. RICHARDSON, Cashier.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh, 245-247 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Pittsburgh National Bank of Commerce, Corner of Sixth avenue and Wood street, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m., at the banking house, corner Sixth avenue and Wood street.
A. C. KNOX, Cashier.

Duquesne National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the shareholders of th Duquesne National Bank to elect ten (10) directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 409 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 13th day of January, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 1 p. m.
A. H. PATTERSON, Cashier.

The Arsenal Bank of Pittsburgh, 4300 Butler st., Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Forty-third and Butler streets, Wednesday, January 14, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

THE annual election for officers of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of McCandless township will be held at the election house, Pine Creek township, on Monday, January 5th day of January, 1903, between the hours of 1 and 3 p. m. By order of board. R. Guyton, Secretary.

DIVIDENDS.

Office of the Westinghouse Airbrake Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., December 22, 1902.

DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this company has this day declared the regular quarterly dividend of TWO AND ONE-HALF (2½) PER CENT. and an extra dividend of THREE AND ONE-HALF (3½) PER CENT. both payable to stockholders of record on January 10, 1903. Transfer books will be closed from January 1 to January 10, 1903, inclusive.
JOHN CALDWELL, Treasurer.

Office of the United Traction Company of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 22, 1902.

DIVIDEND—The directors this day declared the regular semi-annual dividend on the preferred stock, TWO AND ONE-HALF (2½) PER CENT. payable January 20, 1903, to stockholders of record January 10, 1903. Checks will be mailed.
C. J. BRAUN, JR., Treasurer.

Office of the Consolidated Gas Company of the City of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 22, 1902.

DIVIDEND—The directors this day declared the regular semi-annual dividend on the preferred stock of THREE (3) PER CENT. payable January 20, 1903. Checks will be mailed to stockholders of record.
C. J. BRAUN, JR., Treasurer.

Farmers Deposit National Bank, December 20, 1902.

CHRISTMAS DIVIDEND—The directors of this bank have this day declared an extra dividend of SIX (6) per centum out of the profits of this year, payable forthwith, free of tax, to stockholders of record of this date. Checks will be mailed.
J. W. FLEMING, Cashier.

Office of the Philadelphia Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 20, 1902.

DIVIDEND—The directors this day declared a quarterly dividend on the common stock of ONE AND ONE-HALF (1½) PER CENT. payable February 2, 1903, to stockholders of record January 2, 1903. Checks will be mailed.
C. J. BRAUN, JR., Treasurer.

The Arsenal Bank, Pittsburgh, December 22, 1902.

DIVIDEND—The directors of this bank have this day declared a dividend of Five (5) per cent. out of the capital stock of the shares of the last six months, payable January 2, 1903, to stockholders of record December 31, 1902.
JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

BANK STATEMENTS.

NINETY-FIFTH SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

DOLLAR SAVINGS BANK.

December 1, 1902, Pittsburgh, Pa.:

LIABILITIES.

Amount due depositors December 1, 1902	$20,646,147 88
Amount dividend	349,907 19
Amount contingent fund	176,172 77
Amount surplus	120,530 89
Total liabilities	$21,892,758 73

ASSETS.

Loans on bonds and mortgages	$ 6,270,564 41
U. S. government bonds	3,288,000 00
Philadelphia city bonds	1,221,710 00
City of Pittsburgh bonds	1,741,370 00
City of Allegheny bonds	719,500 00
City of Scranton bonds	15,000 00
City of Reading bonds	170,000 00
County bonds	1,476,797 05
Sub-district school bonds	51,305 50
District school bonds	252,100 00
Borough improvement bonds	432,700 00
Railroad bonds	1,797,850 00
Street railway bonds	560,000 00
Miscellaneous	167,300 00
Loans on collateral	2,407,125 00
Real estate sold	123,945 75
Real estate bank property	183,687 53
Interest due	18,619 05
Cash in banks and on hand	1,116,285 40
Total assets	$21,892,758 73

Present number of depositors 55,770, averaging $376.25 each.

J. W. FLENNIKEN, Treasurer.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 1, 1902.

The undersigned auditing committee respectfully report that they have examined the assets of the bank and find them to correspond with the above report.

JOS. RUFFINGTON,
WM. R. THOMPSON,
JOHN C. STEVENSON,
JOHN M. LLOYD,
Auditing Committee.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 16, 1902.

The trustees have declared a dividend of ONE AND THREE-FOURTHS (1¾) PER CENT for the last six months, ending November 30, 1902, payable forthwith. If not drawn will bear interest from December 1, 1902.

MEETINGS.

Office of North American Savings Co., Fourth avenue and Market street, Pittsburgh, October 20, 1902.

MEETING—The board of directors of this company has called a special meeting of its stockholders, to be held at the office of the company on Monday, the 29th day of December, 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of voting for or against an increase of the capital stock.
W. P. FRASER, Secretary.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, City of Allegheny, December 20, 1902.

SEALED PROPOSALS—Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the city comptroller until 2:45 p. m., on Tuesday, December 30, 1902, for the construction of one cast steel piston head 88" diam. follower, and packing rings for low pressure cylinder for No. 6 pump, at Montrose pumping station, Allegheny, Pa.

Plans and specifications can be seen and all information obtained at the office of the bureau of water supply and distribution, City Hall, Allegheny, Pa.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bond in the sum of $1,000, with two sureties, probated before the city comptroller, or the bond of a surety trust company, which has complied with the ordinance of councils for furnishing bonds for city contracts.

The city recorder and the director of the department of public works reserve the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Proposals will be opened in the office of the city recorder at 3 o'clock p. m., on Tuesday, December 30, 1902.

JOHN R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

D. L. FULTON,
Director of the Department of Public Works.

IN the court of common pleas No. 3, No. 246, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for construction of a lateral sewer in Meade street from Bell avenue to Rising Main avenue, Twelfth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, setting out damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 5th day of January, A. D. 1903, at 10 o'clock p. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
THOS. R. HERD,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
Viewers.

(No. 566.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and directing the proper officers of the city of Allegheny to advertise for bids and execute a contract for appliances to repair the piping engines at Montrose.

Whereas, One of the piston heads and the appliances connected therewith in the pumping engines at Montrose are broken and entirely useless, and a public emergency exists in that city's water water supply may at any time be shut off, in the event of another piston head of said pumping engine becoming in any way inoperative; and

Whereas, The proper officers of the city have no authority without an ordinance of councils to contract for the necessary repairs of said pumping engines; therefore

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller and the director of the department of public works are hereby authorized to advertise for bids and to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for a piston head, follower, packing rings, &c., necessary for the pumping engines, pumping engines at Montrose, Pa., and to pay for the same out of appropriation No. 12.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.
J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 576.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and ordering the construction and erection of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the department of public works. Contracting the city recorder and the director of the department of public works to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the construction and erection of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the department of public works, is hereby authorized and ordered. The city recorder and the said director are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

The cost and expense thereof to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of "water extension bonds," authorized by councils on November 28, 1901.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.
J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 578.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the issue of fifteen thousand five hundred twenty-seven dollars ($15,527) Woodland avenue bonds, to pay the cost of grading, paving and curbing of Woodland avenue, from Brighton road to Shady avenue.

Whereas, One of the piston heads and the appliances connected therewith in the pumping engines at Montrose are broken and entirely useless, and a public emergency exists in that city's water water supply may at any time be shut off, in the event of another piston head of said pumping engine becoming in any way inoperative; and

Whereas, The proper officers of the city have no authority without an ordinance of councils to contract for the necessary repairs of said pumping engines; therefore

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller and the director of the department of public works are hereby authorized to advertise for bids and to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for a piston head, follower, packing rings, &c., necessary for the pumping engines, pumping engines at Montrose, Pa., and to pay for the same out of appropriation No. 12.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
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Attest:
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SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.
J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

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EASTERN STOCKS CLOSED LOWER

Ten Per Cent Call Money Rate Checked the Advance--Nashville Influenced by an Unfounded Dividend Rumor--Local Stocks Quiet.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

Money lenders put the brakes on the stock market yesterday, and prices declined, closing at the lowest of the day. At the opening some irregularity prevailed, London prices for American securities being lower and foreigners being sellers to the extent of between 20,000 and 25,000 shares. The anthracite coal stocks resisted the declining tendency during the early part of the day, reports as to the condition of the trade and the high prices being realized for prompt shipments of coal being cited as evidence that the companies would recoup the losses entailed by the prolonged strike. Later, however, this group of stocks followed the downward tendency and closed at practically the lowest. St. Paul rallied a point in the early dealings, but as a rule the average of prices was lower and the highest occurred during the early part of the session. Up to noon the call money rate held firm around 6 per cent, no loans being made under that figure. Later the rate advanced until it reached 10 per cent bid, easing off at the close to the legal rate. Interests which are supposed to desire higher prices for stocks in the new year feared that the growing enthusiasm of the previous day would create such a demand for money that the last week of the year might witness another "squeeze," and the check was applied now to avert something worse later. The sub-treasury gained $515,000 from the banks, and there was another deposit of $200,000 for transfer to New Orleans. Offerings of time loans were fairly liberal at 6 per cent, but with the prospects of easier call money after the turn of the year, borrowers are not disposed to load up with time funds.

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An incident of the day was the misunderstanding which occurred in the announcement of a dividend on the Louisville Street Railway. The latter declared a quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent and an extra dividend of ½ per cent. By mistake this action was ascribed to the directors of the Louisville & Nashville railroad. The stock of the latter, which had been holding around 124, suddenly advanced to 126, the buying being ascribed to shorts, but when the buyers learned their mistake they quickly sold again, causing a break to 123. The dividend period of the Louisville & Nashville is semi-annual, and the date for action by the directors does not occur until January, the dividend being payable in February. The company has been declaring 2½ per cent semi-annual, and the only basis for expectation of an increase in the rate is the fact that the Atlantic Coast Line, which took over the stock acquired by the "Gates crowd" last summer, paid a high price for control, and the only way in which it can recoup itself is by increasing the dividend on Nashville stock which it holds as a treasury asset. The Vanderbilts declared the usual dividend, being 3½ per cent semi-annual on Lake Shore, 1¼ per cent quarterly on New York Central, 2 per cent semi-annual on Michigan Central, and 1 per cent semi-annual on Canada Southern. The latter a year ago declared an extra dividend of ½ per cent, and the stock yesterday declined from 76⅜ to 75¼ and closed at 75 bid. Missouri Pacific declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent, but the stock declined a point with the rest of the railway list. The Wabash declared the regular interest of 3 per cent on the debenture A bonds, while the Lake Erie & Western directors declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent on the preferred stock. Brooklyn Rapid Transit advanced a fraction in the early dealings on the November earnings, showing an increase in net of $119,500, and an increase for the five months of its fiscal year of $553,000 in net earnings.

Industrial shares followed the course of the general market, ruling steady during the morning, but selling off in the afternoon. United States Steel declined from 35½ to 34¼, and the preferred from 84⅞ to 84. Private dispatches from New York stated that H. C. Frick had accepted the chairmanship of the board. Inasmuch as the gentleman was in the east, there was no way of confirming the report here. Amalgamated Copper declined nearly 2 per cent, and Sugar sold down from 129½ to 126¼.

The commercial markets were quiet and only fractionally changed. The Chicago board of trade took the unusual action of adjourning the day before as well as on Christmas, and grain speculators were yesterday closing out contracts over the double holiday. According to Bradstreet's figures, the visible supply of wheat decreased 933,000 bushels, corn increased 1,033,000 bushels and oats decreased 40,000 bushels.

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Ante-holiday dullness prevailed on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday, the total sales reaching only 3,530 shares. There were no transactions in bonds or bank stocks, and only two small deals in trust company shares. Changes in the general list were for the most part fractional. The decline in Pittsburgh Brewing continued, the common selling off to 29¾, while the preferred was offered down to 46¼. These stocks, which are $50 par value, are relatively higher than any of the newer industrials, and they have been bought because the recent annual report showed that earnings were large and that provision had been made for a sinking fund to retire the bonds. There has been some talk of new competition in the business, but the decline in the stock is no doubt due in part to the shifting of investments into other industrials which have been unduly depressed, and which pay a higher rate of return at current prices. The steel stocks were quiet. Crucible common rallied to 19¼, while the preferred after advancing to 84 eased off to 83¾ at the close. United States Steel reacted to 34¼, but was in good demand at the decline, while the preferred sold off to 84⅛, the market here following the east. River Coal common declined to 9¾, but other members of this group remained steady and unchanged. Westinghouse Electric advanced to 98, but reacted to 97½, while Air Brake was unchanged at 176½. A small lot of Union Switch and Signal common sold at 88, a decline of 7 points from the last previous sale several weeks ago. Window Glass was unchanged at 52.

Movements of Gold.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Total payment by government to New York banks yesterday, $3,337,000; payment by banks to government, $3,852,000; balance on the day's transactions, $515,000, paid by banks to government; total net payment by government to banks since Friday, $522,000, against $580,000 paid by banks during the corresponding week ago, and $754,000 a year ago. No payments were made by the sub-treasury today for gold imported on the Pacific.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Transactions on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday aggregated 3,530 shares. Sales:

10 to 10:30 a. m.

50 Crucible com.	19¼	30 S. & R. pfd..	18
100-20 do.....	19¾	200 U. S. S. com.	35¼
22 P. Coal pfd...	87		

10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

12 P. Coal pfd..	87	25 U. S. S. pfd..	84⅛
20 do	87	50 F. Proof. pfd.	36⅜
10 do	86⅜	50 do	36⅜
10 G.-A. S. & T.	165	*15 Mon. Water..	39½
25 do	A165	80 Electric 2ds...	98
100 Crucible com.	19¼	50 do	98
10 do	19¼	50 do	97½
270 do	19¾	10 Switch com...	88
25 W. Airbrake.	176½	25 do	88
45 F. Proof. com	25½	100 Crucible pfd..	83⅞
20-20 do.....	25⅝	35 R. Coal pfd...	40¼
100 U. S. S. pfd..	84⅞		

12:30 to 2 p. m.

50 F. Proof. pfd.	36⅜	25 Electric 2ds..	97½
50 W. Glass com	52	50 do	97¾
50 do	52	100 U. S. S. pfd..	84⅛
50 Phila. com...	43		

2 to 3 p. m.

25 P. Coal pfd..	86⅞	50 F. Proof. com.	25½
10 Electric 2ds..	97⅝	50-50 do.....	25⅜
50 do	97½	50 do	25¼
10 U. S. S. com.	35	7 U. S. S. pfd..	84½
50 do	34⅜	100 Con. Ice pfd..	87½
100 do	34⅛	25 Crucible pfd...	84
100 P. Coal com..	28⅞	25-25-50 do	84
100 do	28⅜	25 do	83⅞
100 E. Coal com..	9¾	75 do	84⅜
400 Brewing com.	29¾	10 R. E. Trust...	284
100 do	29¾		

*Cash.

Summary.

Shares.		High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
500	Brewing com..	29½	29¾	29¾	—¼
100	Cons. Ice pfd..	87½	87½	87½	+½
550	Crucible Steel	19¼	19¼	19¼	+¼
325	Do pfd.....	84	83⅞	83⅞	0
205	Fire Proofing.	25½	25¾	25¼	—¾
150	Do pfd.....	36⅜	36⅜	36⅜	—⅛
15	*Mon. Water..	39½	39½	39½	+½
50	Phila. Co. cm.	45	45	45	0
200	Pgh. Coal.....	28½	28⅝	28⅜	0
80	Do pfd.....	87	86⅞	86⅞	—⅛
100	River Coal....	9¾	9¾	9¾	—⅛
35	Do pfd.....	40¼	40¼	40¼	0
39	Stove & R. pfd	18	18	18	0
35	U. Switch com	88	88	88	—7
200	U. S. Steel....	35¼	34⅜	34⅜	—¾
232	Do pfd.....	84⅞	84⅛	84⅛	—⅜
25	W. Airbrake..	176½	176½	176½	0
285	West. Elec. 2d	98	97½	97½	—¾
100	W. Glass com	52	52	52	0
35	G.-A. S. & T.	165	165	165	+2½
10	R. E. Trust...	284	284	284	+¼

3,530

*Cash. †Seven shares only.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Pgh. Bks.			Nat. Gas.		
Ally. Nat..	135	....	M. L. & H.	85¾	....
Columbia ..	443	....	Mining.		
Manufac..	120	....	Hidalgo	4⅞	6½
Monon. Nat	207½	....	Luster	12	....
Trust & M.	72	....	Railroads.		
U. S. Nat..	140	....	A. V. pfd..	20	30
Fed. Nat....	149	....	Electric.		
Trust Cos.			W. Assts...	97¼	....
American ..	147	147½	Miscel.		
F. T. & T.	220	615	Crucible Steel	19¼	19¼
Real Estate	284	....	Do pfd.....	....	83⅞
S. D. & T..	116	120	Marsden	4	4½
Comwlth ..	229	235	F. Proofing.	25¾	25⅞
Ally. Elec	....	....	Do pfd....	36⅜	36⅝
Ally. Trust.	151	....	Phila. Co....	....	45½
B. of S. S.	92½	....	Do pfd....	....	48½
D.S.F.& T.	284	....	P.S.C. pfd..	92	....
Enterprise	....	125	U. Switch...	85	88

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

STOCKS.			BONDS.		
Miscel.			Pgh. Coal..		28⅝
A.W. Glass	51½	51¾	P. Coal pfd.	86⅞	86⅞
Do pfd....		87½	P. P. Glass	135	138
Cons. Ice..	10½	12¾	S. & R. pfd	17½	18¼
Riv. Coal..	9¾	....	U. S. com	34¾	34⅝
Do pfd..	40¼	40½	Tractions.		
P.B.& L.E.	33	....	B.K. & A.6s	....	118
Pgh. Brew.	29½	29¾	BONDS.		
Do pfd....	46¼	....	P.S.& L.S.5	....	120¾

*ex-dividend.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Robinson Bros. were the largest buyers of the steel stocks on the local board yesterday, and at the close bid 34½ for 500 shares United States Steel common.

W. A. McCutcheon sold a block of 400 shares Pittsburgh Brewing common at 29¾ to Hill & Co. The stock pays about 8S per cent on the price.

Allegheny Trust advanced to 152 bid.

Unlisted bank stocks closed as follows: North American Savings, 130 asked; Peoples Trust, 111 asked; South Side Trust, 190 asked; German American Savings and Trust, 162 bid, 168 asked.

Subscription rights on Fidelity Title and Trust were quoted at 225 bid, $75 asked. The stock was quoted at 520 bid, 610 asked. The new stock was alloted at $400 a share.

"The local stock market has during the past two months furnished a good test of the Pittsburgh stock exchange," remarked one of the oldest brokers yesterday. "The increase in the number of new seats for the purpose of purchasing a permanent home resulted in the admission of a number of new and untried members. Ordinarily a new man without experience in the business is an easy mark for a class of customers, who are not prompt in maintaining margins, and besides he is inclined to look upon the bright side of things—in other words, he is 'bully.' He is liable to take accounts on slender margins, and in good times we are all prone to be a little lax in this matter; to assume greater obligations than are entirely safe. For more than two months there was an almost continuous declines in prices, and when the United States Steel stocks broke to 30 and 80, and Electric dropped below 90, it confess I looked for trouble among some of the members; I was afraid that some of them had acquired a larger load than they could handle. I did not look for any failures, but it would not have surprised me had there been a slaughter of prices due to forced unloading. Nothing of this kind occurred, however, which proves that the local trading public were able to take care of everything that came, and that brokers were able to liquidate weak accounts without any bad break in prices. Taken as a whole, we have a strong membership, and the trading public is justified in feeling greater confidence in any broker who owns a membership in the Pittsburgh stock exchange."

The Chicago board of trade sprung a surprise on grain speculators when it decided to remain closed today as well as on Christmas. Hence coffee when the other exchanges of the country have voted for a double holiday, Chicago would assert its independence by observing only the legal holiday.

It is needless to say that all the banks and exchanges of the country will be closed tomorrow.

The Lake Erie & Western reports for year ending December 31, surplus after charges, $479,454, against $474,633 in the previous year. The surplus after dividends this year is $5,864.

Announcement was made yesterday in Philadelphia that control of the United Power and Transportation Company has been sold to the Interstate Railway Company at $75 a share, payable in 40-year collateral trust gold coupon bonds, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent for the first year, 6 per cent for the second and 4 per cent for the third and thereafter. The Interstate Railway Company was incorporated recently in New Jersey, with a capital of $10,000,000, for the purpose of operating the electric railways in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

The New York Central statement for the quarter ending December 31, 1902 (partly estimated), showed net earnings of $5,825,400, as compared with $6,350,947 for the corresponding quarter last year. This is a decrease for the quarter of $525,547. The net earnings for the last six months of this year (partly estimated), were $13,019,900, a decrease of $567,700. The surplus after payment of the last quarter's dividends was reported at $501,700, a decrease of $868,300. The surplus for the six months showed a decrease of $942,500. According to semi-official explanations these differences arose from the increase in the capital stock demanding larger dividend payments.

Sugar was weak all day and declined sharply on profit-taking, helped by reports that the New York wholesale grocers were going into the sugar refining business.

No definite news developed in regard to Reading, but the street heard talk of division of control between Pennsylvania and New York Central. This is a very old story and at the moment there seems no reason to believe that the control of Reading has changed from what it was last summer, when it was supposed to be held in the interest of Pennsylvania through the Baltimore & Ohio as a hold in the subject. Wasserman bought 10,000 shares of Reading during the first hour.

Northern Securities closed at 110. There were confident predictions that the January dividend would be increased to a 5 per cent basis.

The gross earnings of Northwestern for November increased $127,755.

Wall street gossip: There is no longer any apprehension of serious monetary developments, about the worst that is expected being the usual temporary flurry incident to January settlements. The changed attitude of the Standard Oil contingent from the bear to the bull side continues to be the subject of conversation and is indicated pretty clearly by the strength of its favorite stocks. Although it may not be generally known, the Rockefellers own almost enough Sugar to constitute majority holdings. Their ownership in St. Paul is probably larger than any other. They dominate A. C. P. These three stocks have shown marked strength and despite the fact that they have risen rather rapidly there is talk of a much further advance in them before the upward movement culminates. Insiders in both St. Paul and Sugar predict heavy earnings in the new year and also hint at special developments which will be discounted by higher prices.

A story that obtained considerable currency on the street was to the effect that the relations between Mr. Morgan and J. J. Hill are decidedly strained, on account of the intention of the latter to go into the iron ore business on his own account. One broker who told the story some prominence stated in a later bulletin his belief that the story originated with a prominent brokerage house which is short 3,000 shares of Northern Securities. Another broker ventures to suggest that, if true, this story accounts very well for the pessimism of J. J. Hill, the idea being that it's enough to make any one pessimistic to fall out with Mr. Morgan. There seems to be a grain of two of sense in that.—New York Commercial.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.—Butter firm and unchanged; fancy imitation, 22@23c; fancy creamery, 30@31c; fancy ladle, 20@22c; fancy roll, 19@22c; good roll, 17@18c; store packed, 16@18c. Eggs firm and unchanged; fresh, 26@27c. Cheese firm and unchanged; large, 13¾@14c; medium 13¾@14c; small, 13@14c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Butter—Receipts, 9,684 pkgs; market unsettled; state dairy, 20@26c; extra creamery, 28c; renovated, 19¼@22½c; creamery, common to choice, 22@27½c; factory, 18½@18½c; held (specials), 27@28c. Cheese—Receipts, 4,540 pkgs; market firm; state full cream, fancy, small, colored, fall make, 13¾@14c; late made, 15@13¾c; small white, fall made, 13¾@14c; late made, 13@13¾c; large colored, fall made, 13¾@14c; late made, 13@13¼c; large white, fall made, 13¾@14c; late made, 13@13¼c. Eggs—Receipts, 6,455 pkgs; market irregular; state and Pennsylvania, average best, 28c; western fancy, graded, 26c; western poor to prime, 20@25c; refrigerated, 15½@21c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Butter firm and in good demand; extra western creamery, 30c; nearby prints, 32c. Eggs quiet but steady; fresh nearby, 27c loss off; fresh western, 27c loss off; fresh southern, 26@27c loss off; fresh nearby, 28c loss off. Cheese firm; fair to fair demand; New York full creams, prime small, 13¾@14c; do fair to good small, 13@13½c; do prime large, 13¾c; do fair to good, large, 13@13½c. Refined sugars unchanged.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Butter quiet and easier; creameries, 18@27½c; dairies, 17@25c. Eggs steady, loss off cases returned, 25c. Cheese firm at 13@13¼c.

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges decreased $400,000 for the day.

Stock market very dull, sales reaching only 3,530 shares.

Pittsburgh Brewing common sold off at 29¾.

Fire Proofing declined to 25¼ for the common and 36¾ for the preferred.

River Coal common lower at 9¾; preferred firmer at 40¼ bid.

United States Steel stocks dull and fractionally lower.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales for the day 597,700 shares.

Mistake in Reading dividend announcement causes spurt in Louisville & Nashville.

Call money closes at 6 per cent.

General declines are registered from 1 to 1½ points.

Money is easy on loans to London by cable.

Bonds irregular; total sales (par value) $2,305,000.

RISE IN CALL MONEY CAUSES STOCKS TO FALL

General Decline All Around, but Short Contracts Are Sustaining Influence.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The rise in the call money rate today and the approach of the Christmas holiday combined to prompt operators in stock to close up their accounts. The duration and extent of the rise since the announcement of the formation of the bankers' $50,000,000 pool have kept the professional traders alert for signs of reaction, on the theory that the recovery was going too far. The persistence of the trading element in putting out short contracts has acted as a sustaining influence on the market, as it did to some extent today. No raiding tactics were apparent, and the decline was rather gradual and in good order. The day's losses were quite uniform in the active list, ranging generally from 1 to 1½.

Sugar fell an extreme 2¾ below last night, on account of the reports from Washington of preparations to oppose the Cuban reciprocity treaty. New York Central suffered owing to recent rumors that the dividend was to be increased. No such action was taken today, and the decreased net earnings reported by the New York Central and affiliated lines, together with the return of the Canada Southern semi-annual dividend to 1 per cent had an unfavorable effect upon the Vanderbilt lines. Professed expectations of an increase in the Missouri Pacific dividend rate were also disappointed.

Louisville made a spectacular spurt early in the afternoon and a quick relapse because the board room traders leaped to a mistaken construction of a report of a dividend on a Louisville street railway company as applying to Louisville & Nashville.

Some large sums were transmitted to London through the agency of the cable. This movement is said to be due to the custom of the London banks to prepare a so-called "window dressing" for their year-end reports. The accumulation of reserves in London for this purpose usually is extremely temporary.

The bond market was quite broad again today and showed some points of strength, making the price movement as a whole irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,305,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market remains steady and unchanged at 6 per cent on call and time loans. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Tuesday	$8,591,417 92	$1,220,838 57
Last week	9,557,841 98	1,468,763 05
Last year	8,731,489 00	1,615,483 18

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Exchanges, $276,480,415; balances, $11,571,729.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Exchanges, $20,435,411; balances, $1,227,452. Call loans, 5½@6½ per cent; time loans 6@7 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Bank clearings, $26,730,257; balances, $2,854,542. Money, 6 per cent.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.—Clearings, $4,228,374; balances, $722,519. Money, 6 per cent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Clearings, $27,182,944; balances, $1,812,167. New York exchange, 10c premium. Posted exchange, $4.84@4.87½.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Clearings, $6,234,809; balances, $877,326. Money steady at 5@6 per cent. New York exchange, 50c premium.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balances, $211,876,596; gold, $120,182,205; silver, $6,779,711; United States notes, $2,717,787; treasury notes of 1890, $84,073; national bank notes, $15,143,156; total receipts this day, $1,101,221; total receipts this month, $36,900,490; total receipts this year, $278,382,659; total expenditures this day, $1,615,000; total expenditures this month, $40,600,000; total expenditures this year, $258,026,227; deposits in national banks, $150,632,223.

NEW YORK PRICES.

Daily range of prices as reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings bank building, Members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
13800	A., T. & S. Fe..	83⅜	83½	82½	82⅝
2000	Do preferred.	98¾	98½	96	96½
	Am. Cotton Oil	44⅜	44¾	44¼	43⅝
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	96
52100	Am. Sug. Ref..	129	129½	126⅞	126⅝
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	119
900	Am. Locomotive	28⅝	28⅝	27½	27¾
100	Do preferred.	94	94	94	93½
200	Am. Car Found.	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝	34⅝
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	89½
	American Can.	....	....	....	9¼
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	45
24600	Amalga. Copper.	59¾	59⅞	58¼	58¾
100	Anaconda Cop..	89⅝	89⅝	89¼	86
1300	Am. Smelt & Ref	40¼	40¾	40¼	40¾
400	Do preferred.	92	92⅜	90	91½
	American Ice	10⅞	10⅝	10½	10½
	Do preferred.	39	39	39	39
10800	Balto. & Ohio..	98⅜	98⅝	97½	97⅝
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	92½
13900	Brook. Rap. Tr.	65⅞	66⅛	65	65¼
8600	Canadian Pacific	130½	130⅝	129	129
3900	Chi. Gt. West..	25	25	24⅝	24⅝
200	Consolidated Gas	211½	211½	211	211
300	C., C., C. & St. L	96⅜	96⅜	96½	95½
1000	Ches. & Ohio..	47	47	46⅝	46⅝
400	Chi. & Alton..	35	35	32	32½
100	Do preferred.	70¼	70½	70	70
100	Chi. & Nwin..	216½	216½	216½	216
1600	Col. Fuel & I..	80⅛	80⅛	79½	79½
	Corn Product..	30⅜	30⅝	30	30
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	82
500	Col. Southern..	27½	27½	27	27
1100	Del. & Hudson.	165	165	163	163
21060	Erie	34⅝	34⅝	34	34
3300	Do 1st pfd....	65⅛	65⅝	64½	64½
900	Do 2nd pfd....	45¾	45¾	44	43¾
400	General Electric	178	178	176	176¼
1100	Hocking Valley.	67⅞	67⅞	67¼	67¼
600	Do preferred.	96⅝	96⅝	96	96
6300	Illinois Central.	145	145¼	144	144⅜
200	Iowa Central..	38⅝	38⅝	38¾	37⅝
200	Do preferred.	69¼	69¼	68	68
	Inter. Paper..	....	....	....	18
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	70½
100	L. E. & West..	....	....	....	48
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	85
700	Louis. & Nash..	124	126⅝	123	123¾
4600	Manhattan.....	146⅞	146⅞	145⅝	145⅝
15400	Missouri Pacific	106⅜	106⅝	105⅝	105⅝
1000	Mex. Cent. pfd.	68⅜	68⅜	68	68
1800	Metropolitan ..	140½	145½	139¾	139
700	Mex. Central ..	22½	22⅝	22½	22
1200	National Lead..	20⅜	20⅜	20⅛	20⅛
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	97
	National Biscuit.	....	....	....	45¾
	Do preferred.	102½	102½	102½	102½
9850	N. Y. Central..	153	153	151¾	151⅝
	N. Y. Central rts.	....	....	....	1⅝
23100	N. Y., O. & W..	29⅝	30⅜	29⅜	29⅝
2900	Norfolk & West.	71⅜	71⅝	71	71
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	84
	North American	....	....	....	114
	Omaha	....	....	....	166
1700	Peoples Gas.....	102	102	101¼	101⅞
	Pacific Mail....	....	....	....	39
100	Pullman	228	228	228	226
400	Pressed Steel Car	60⅛	60¾	59⅝	59½
300	Do preferred..	92¼	92¼	91	91
19500	Penna. R. R....	155	155¼	153⅞	153⅝
	P., C., C. & S. L.	....	....	....	90
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	101
	Railway Springs.	....	....	....	27
	Do preferred.	86	86¼	86	85⅞
10140	Reading	65½	64⅝	63¾	63¾
	Do 1st pfd....	....	....	....	86
1100	Do 2d pfd....	77⅜	77⅜	77	77
21800	Rock Island....	43½	42⅝	42⅜	42⅜
2300	Do preferred.	82	82	81½	81⅝
200	Republic Iron..	19⅜	19⅜	19¼	19¼
200	Do preferred..	76⅜	76⅜	76⅛	76⅛
1100	St. L. & S. F....	71⅝	71⅝	71	71
100	Do 1st pfd....	90	90	90	90
300	Do 2d pfd....	70¾	71	70	69⅝
26100	Southern Pacific.	64	64	62⅝	62⅝
13400	Southern Ry....	32½	32⅝	31⅝	32
500	Do preferred..	92⅜	92⅜	92½	92½
41800	St. Paul.....	175½	176¼	174⅞	178
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	191
200	St. L. & S'w..	26⅝	26⅝	26⅛	26⅛
900	Do preferred..	61	61	60	60
	Tenn. C. & I....	....	....	....	55
10900	Texas & Pacific.	40⅜	40⅝	39⅝	39¾
200	T. St. L. & W..	27¾	27¾	27¾	27
100	Do preferred..	45⅜	45⅝	45⅜	44½
15400	U. S. Steel.....	35½	35½	34½	34⅜
11100	Do preferred..	84⅞	84⅞	84	84⅛
49800	Union Pacific..	99	99⅜	98⅜	98⅜
2600	Do preferred..	92½	93	92½	92½
500	U. S. Rubber....	15½	15½	15½	15½
300	U. S. Leather..	12	12	12	11⅞
600	Do preferred..	88¼	88¼	88	88
	U. S. R. & Cons.	23⅞	23⅞	23¾	23½
	Do preferred.	69½	69⅝	69½	69⅝
1200	Wabash	29	29⅛	28	28
1900	Do preferred..	43	43	42	41¾
1000	Western Union..	88	88	87½	87⅛
	W. & L. E....	....	....	....	24
	Do 1st pfd....	83½	83½	83½	83⅝
	Do 2d pfd....	83¾	83¾	83¾	83⅝
500	Wheeling & L. E.	25¾	25¾	25¼	25¼
1700	Do preferred.	51	51¾	50⅞	50

597700 total sales for day.

Electric Stocks.

West. common	96	Mass. Electric	35½
General Electric..	175	Do preferred....	93

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. reg. 2s, reg.	107¾	L. & N. uni. 4s..	101
Do 2s, coup....	108¼	Mexican Cent. 4s.	71¾
Do 3s, reg.....	107½	Do 1st inc....	25¼
Do 3s, coup....	107¾	M. & St. L. 4s..	100
Do new 4s, reg.	137	M., K. & T. 4s..	97¾
Do 4s, coup....	137	Do 2ds.....	81¾
Do old 4s, reg..	103½	N. Y. Cent. lets.	102½
Do 4s, coup....	103¾	Do gen. 3½s....	104
Do 5s, reg.....	104½	N. O. & Tex. 4s.	85¾
Do 5s, coup....	105¼	North Pac. 4s....	103⅜
Atchison gen. 4s.	102	Do 3s.....	71¾
Do adj. 4s.....	96½	N. & W. con. 4s..	99
Balt. & Ohio 4s..	103⅝	Reading gen. 4s..	96¾
Do 3½s.....	95	S. L. & I.M.con.5s	113
Do conv. 4s....	104⅜	St. L. & S. F. 4s.	97
Canada So. 2ds...	106	St. L. S'W. 1sts..	93
Cent. of Ga. 5s...	109	Do 2ds.....	84
Do 1st inc.....	75	S. A. & A. P. 4s.	87
C. & O. 4½s.....	103¾	South. Pac. 4s....	89¾
C. & A. 5½s.....	75	Southern Ry. 5s..	120
C., B. & Q. new 4s.	103¾	Tex. & Pac. 1sts..	116⅛
C., M. & St. P. 4s.	113	T., St. L. & W. 4s.	76
C. & N. con. 7s...	135½	Union Pacific 4s..	104¾
C. R. I. & P. 4s..	103⅝	Do conv. 4s.....	103
C. C. C. & St. L. 4s.	98¾	Wabash 1sts.....	116
Chi. Gt. West. 4s.	97	Do 2ds.....	108¾
Chi. & Alton 3½s..	71¾	Do deb. B.....	74⅜
D. & R. G. 4s....	101	West. Shore 4s....	112
Erie prior lien 4s.	89¼	W. & L. E. 4s....	91¾
Do gen. 4s.....	85¼	Wiscon. Cent. 4s..	81⅜
F. W. & D. C. 1sts.	110½	Con. Tobacco 4s..	66
Hock. Val. 4½s...	109		

Supplementary New York Stocks.

(By Private Wire to The Gazette.)

Sales.	STOCKS.	High.	Low.	Close.
100	Allis. Chal. Co....	18	18	18
1000	American Bicycle..	3	3	3
100	Amer. Cotton Oil..	44¾	44¾	44¾
300	American Malting..	5	5	5
200	Chi. Ter. Traction.	17	16	16
200	Consolidated Gas..	211½	211	211
500	Del. & Rio Grande..	40	39	39
300	Det. Sou. Railway..	16½	16½	16¼
2900	Great Northern pfd.	193½	164	185¾
2000	Int. Con.	32¾	32¾	32½
1200	M., St. P. & S. M. pfd.	175¾	174	174
100	Pacific Coast.....	70½	70½	70½
400	Nat. Railroad pfd..	71¾	70½	71
100	St. J. & G. I.....	15	15	15
100	Do 1st preferred..	35	35	35
100	Sloss	57	57	57
600	Twin City.....	115¾	115¼	115¼
200

LIBERTY AVENUE FLATS ARE SOLD FOR $23,500

C. A. Riffle Buys Five Houses at McKees Rocks. Storage Company Will Build a $20,000 Warehouse in Allegheny.

Through Gault & Gifford Thomas McDunn has sold to R. F. Bialls of the East End the Ruth apartments, at Nos. 3822 and 3824, Liberty avenue, for $23,500. The apartments are the best in this part of the city, having been erected but a short time and being provided with all the latest conveniences. The lot has a frontage of 57 feet and extends back along Munhon street, a distance of 140 feet. The building is a three-story brick containing six flats of four and five rooms each. The purchase was for an investment.

George T. McDonald sold for the Chartiers City Home Building Company to C. A. Riffle, five of the company's new houses at McKees Rocks for $15,000. The houses are eight-room frame dwellings which were built last summer on the Chartiers City plan, in the rear of the McKay chain works. They stand on lots 25x116 feet each. The same broker sold for Noah Shafer a fine residence property on the southeast side of Fremont street, near Lincoln avenue, Bellevue, for $10,000. The house is a 12-room stone and shingle residence, with all modern improvements, and the lot is 51.5x143 feet. The buyer is a business man of Sharon who will occupy the property as a home.

A $20,000 Warehouse for Allegheny.

The North Side Storage Company is preparing to erect a five-story warehouse in Sandusky street, near East Ohio street, Allegheny, from plans now in the hands of Architect H. J. L. Peoples. The building, on which bids are now being received, will cost in the neighborhood of $20,000.

Architect J. A. Long has plans for three brick veneered houses for W. P. Boyston, to be built near the corner of Wylie and Herron avenues.

Architect W. E. Snaman has awarded the contract to Cochran & Davis for the Elks club house. The building will be erected on Diamond street, Allegheny, at a cost of $35,000.

Architects Vogel & Hutzen of Braddock have prepared plans for a warehouse and stable, to be erected at No. 722 Braddock avenue, at a cost of $10,000, and for eight brick houses for P. J. Brennan, which will cost $16,500.

Architects Macubray & Co. have plans for a brick residence for R. J. McCoubray at McKees Rocks.

East End Sale of $12,000.

Hamilton S. Borroughs has bought from William Sheaffer an improved property 40x109 feet, at the northwest corner of Sheridan avenue and Harvard street, Nineteenth ward, for $12,000.

The C. H. Wanner Company has this week disposed of three of the new houses in the Twenty-third ward which C. H. Wanner secured several months ago in an exchange deal. Two of the houses were sold to M. A. Alter for $8,000 each. Both stand on lots 30x80 feet, one facing on the west side of Hoome street, near Graham avenue, and the other on the east side of Coleman street. The third house, a similar dwelling, on the east side of Lydia street, near Greenfield avenue, was sold to Charles P. Ermen for $2,500.

Graham street: The Real Estate Trust Company sold for Ernest W. Beach to D. W. Kiser of the Alexander Black Coat Company, No. 107 Graham street, a three-story brick house, 16.5x85 feet, for $7,000.

Cypress street: David Blair and others sold to Margaret Blair an improved lot 20x100 feet, in Cypress street, Twentieth ward, for $4,000.

Bought Two Properties.

Fulton street: F. Canuti has bought from Hyman Abrams an improved lot 20x38 feet, on the north side of Wide alley, near Fulton street, Eighth ward, for $3,550, and from John J. Lockhart an improved lot 14x50 feet, on the south side of Webster avenue, near Congress street, Seventh ward, for $2,800.

Louis Zollinger sold H. Lipp sold to Charles L. Zollinger a lot 50x80 feet, on the north side of Louis street, near Brushton avenue, Thirty-seventh ward, for $900.

Laboda street: The Twin City Improvement Company sold to Joseph C. Francis an improved lot 10.5x61 feet, on the west side of Lindora street, near Courtland street, Twenty-third ward, for $1,800.

Stanhope avenue: George J. Spickert sold to J. H. Spickert an improved lot 20x134.5 feet, on the east side of Sheridan avenue, Nineteenth ward, for $1,800.

Hoeveler street: Robert C. Beatty sold to Horace M. Langworthy an improved lot 25x85 feet, at the northwest corner of Hoeveler street, Nineteenth ward, for $4,800.

Isaac Sachs sold to T. J. Keenan a lot 16x100 feet, on the north side of Penn avenue, near Twelfth street, for $19,750. A brick store and two flats are among the improvements.

Building permits were issued to R. W. Oliver for a three-story brick and stone stenare house on Sixth avenue, near Wood street, to cost $35,000, and W. A. Hevl, a two-story frame stable in Baum street, Twentieth ward, to cost $1,700.

During the past few months there has been a great demand for Frankstown avenue property in real estate circles. The last sale reported is that of the old Holmes residence, situated on the south side of the thoroughfare. Miss Rebecca Holmes has sold the old homestead to David W. Steele of the firm of Steele Bros., dealers in grain, hay, feed, etc., of 34 Frankstown avenue. The property has a frontage of 95 feet and 150 feet in depth. The lot has a large 12-room brick dwelling with bath, bath rooms, etc. In the rear of the lot are two frame dwellings. The price was $15,000.

Transfers Recorded.

Hohman Peter et ux to Reinhart Semke, Dec 4, '02, Versailles twp Twp road..$ 1,050
Braun Ernest R et ux to Saml S Canning et ux, Dec 16, '02, 11th wd, Ally, 24x110, Florida st..... 3,100
Black Rebecca Holmes to Winifred B Carson, Oct 2, '02, 20th wd, Pgh, 40x100, Stratford ave..... 11,500
Aldendorf Lisette to David Shaeffer, Dec 17, '02, 11th wd, Pgh, Lombard st..... 3,700
Jenkinson Wm et ux to Annie O'Doherty, Nov 24, '02, Bellevue boro, Lincoln ave..... 9,500
Gast Wm et ux et al to Rev A F Donner, Nov 14, '02, McKees Rocks, 51x102, Guthrie st..... 500
Hammett T Lea et ux to Granville Foreman, Sept 23, '02, Mifflin twp, 25x100, Pleasant st..... 500
Myer Gilbert F et ux to Wm H Wyles, Nov 15, '02, Versailles twp, 3 lots, Jersey ave..... 800
South Park Land Co to Lewis Hazelhurst, Nov 15, '02, Baldwin twp, 2 lots, Eller ave..... 1,250
Model Home Co to Jno H Aitmiller et ux, Nov 10, '02, Knoxville boro, 37½x100, Harlan st..... 6,000
Glassport Land Co to Thos A. Lapsley, Dec 18, '01, Port Vue boro, 25x110, Ohio ave..... 500
Fullerton Wm et ux to Mary A. McKnight, Feb 1, '02, 14th wd, 25x228, Fillmore st..... 7,500
Harrison McClelland ex to Annie E Mitchell, Nov 1, '02, 20th wd, Pgh, 28x147, Marchland st..... 5,500
Baker Sabina to Sarah Skiles, Oct 18, '02, Elizabeth, 3 lots..... 1,200
Crookston Wm et ux to Louis C Nasch, July 20, '02, Pitcairn, 32x100, Twenty-second st..... 1,280
Raszbach Wilhelmina to Peter P Lenz, Dec 17, '02, 4th wd, Ally, 17x54, Walnut st..... 2,000
Bryant Sarah A ex to Jacob H Frank, Dec 17, '02, 6th wd, Pgh, 27x105, Bluff st..... 6,750
Miller Alex to Thos Colvan, Nov 17, '02, Elizabeth twp, 1 acres..... 1,200
Wright Geo F ex to Saml H Parker, Oct 24, '02, Avalon, 50x114, California ave..... 2,500
Delp Jacob ex Alex P McKee, Dec 8, '02, 18th wd, Pgh, 20x100, Butler st.. 14,000
Giffin Wm W ex to H E Rice, July 22, '02, 12th wd, Pgh, 20x100, Marble st..... 865
Kissling Herman et ux to Mary P Daugherty, Mch 22, '02, 10th wd, McKeesprt, 40x120, Pacific ave..... 2,500
Coyle Robt J Jr to Bertha S Gardner, Nov 11, '02, 5th wd, Pgh, Craig st.. 1,600
Semke August et ux to Fredk Semke, Dec 15, '02, 8th wd, McKeesprt, 25x120, Lafayette ave..... 1,500
Dickey Jas H to Joseph E Thomas, Nov 29, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x140, Idlewild st..... 2,100
Taylor Sarah R et al to Eliz J Espy, Dec 15, '02, Homestead boro, 56x119, Eleventh ave..... 2,880
King Jno H ex to Harry Strub, Sept 29, '02, Tarentum boro, 50x150, Ninth st..... 2,850
McKelvy J Erastus et al to Mary Strub, Sept 9, '02, Brackenridge boro, Vine at Gehlhaar Gottlub et ux to Simon Blaszkiewicz et ux, Dec 17, '02, 26th wd, Pgh, 20x60, Harum alley..... 570
Lenz Peter to Peter P Lenz, Dec 16, '02, Ally 10x54, Main st..... 1,800
Mortgages Recorded.

*Dietrich Gustav H to S A Byers, Dec 1, Beavers James to W G Markell et al, Dec 18, '02..... $ 2,350
*Corbin Milton C to L J Raynor, Nov 24, '02..... 1,500
Fischer Gotthilf F to E Stokes Sr, Dec 22, '02..... 5,000
Petrosky John to M Rebar trese, Oct 7, '02..... 750
*Blessing Frank A to T A Gearing, Oct 30, '02..... 350
Baird H C to B Williams et al, Dec 11, '02..... 4,000
Rodger John et al to W G Markell, Dec 23, '02..... 2,000
Repp Laura B to A S Thompson, Dec 22, '02..... 2,500
Freund Albertina to Hill Top German B & L A, Dec 15, '02..... 500
Meffert Charles to Cornopolis E & L A, Dec 20, '02..... 200
Ross Gertrude O to Federal B & L A, Dec 22, '02..... 1,000
Micholowsky Edward to Liberty P B & L A, Dec 22, '02..... 900
Ritchey Wm to Penna Co Fire Ins etc, Dec 20, '02..... 3,400
McCutcheon Robt S to Bank of Millvale, Dec 23, '02..... 4,000
Hughes Thomas M to State Bank of Pgh, Dec 4, '02..... 4,300
Maitland Robt L to Fidelity T & T Co, Dec 17, '02..... 8,000
Miller Zant McD to Guarantee T & T Co, Dec 22, '02..... 7,500
Hartman Thos F to Frankstown Ave B & L A, Dec 22, '02..... 1,200
Moran Frank to J A Russell, Dec 13, '02..... 2,000
Schlutridge Chas B to same, Nov 17, '02..... 1,000
                                                    600

*Purchase money.

Dividends Declared.

The New York Central has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent.

The Lake Shore directors have declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent.

The Missouri Pacific has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent on its stock.

The Michigan Central directors have declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent.

The Philadelphia Company declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent on the common stock, payable February 2.

The United Traction Company declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent on the preferred stock, payable January 20, 1903.

The Consolidated Gas Company declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent on the preferred stock, payable February 2.

The Guarantee Title and Trust Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, payable January 2, to stock of record December 27.

The Farmers Deposit National bank has declared an extra Christmas dividend of 6 per cent, payable forthwith, free of tax. Checks will be mailed.

Directors of the Electric Storage of Philadelphia have declared a dividend of 1¼ per cent on both the common and preferred stock, payable January 2.

The Lake Erie & Western has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent on its preferred stock, payable January 15, to stock of record December 31.

The Canadian Southern Railway Company has declared a dividend of 1 per cent for the half year ending December 31. This is a reduction of ½ of 1 per cent from the dividend declared last December.

The treasurer of the Arlington mills says that the declaration of a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent is intended to place the stock definitely on an 8 per cent dividend basis. Its business has been very good during the past year, and the profits are very satisfactory. Gross earnings this year have aggregated $8,000,000, as compared with $6,500,000 last year. The company has $3,000,000 capital and $2,500,000 surplus. Its quick assets are $2,500,000 in excess of liabilities, and the company's plants are valued at from $5,000,000 to $6,000,000.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The market for coffee futures opened quiet and unchanged, ruled dull in keeping with the European markets and the approaching holidays, but was steady until near the finish, when liquidation caused a 5-point decline, on which basis the market closed steady. Most of the business represented switched from January to the later positions. Sales footed up 22,500 bags, including December at 4.45c; January at 4.40c; March at 4.60@4.70c; May at 4.90c; and July at 5.00c.

Money on Call Firm.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Money on call firm at 5½@6 per cent; closing offered at 6 per cent. Time money easy; 60 and 90 days and six months, 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 86 @6 25 for demand and at $4 83@4 83 1.25 for 60 days; posted rates $4 84@4 87½; commercial bills, $4 82½@4 82¾. Bar silver, 48¼c. Mexican dollars, 38c.

Drygoods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Further business for export to China has been reported in heavy brown cotton goods and the tendency of prices is against buyers. Home demand for both staple and fancy cottons quiet and without special feature. Prices unchanged. Print cloths quiet, but steady. Silks firm for piece goods and ribbons.

HOLIDAY DULLNESS IN HAY AND GRAIN

Fresh Eggs Slightly Firmer. Turkeys Scarce and High Prices Easily Maintained.

The near approach of the end of the year is felt in the slow demand shown for hay and grain. Always at this season, as the annual stock taking time draws near, the desire is to reduce stock to the lowest possible point, and no new supplies are purchased except for immediate requirements. Brokers, therefore, expect slow business during the latter part of December, and are not surprised at the present sluggishness of the market. Trade is not worse than usual, and will brighten up quickly after the turn of the year.

Wheat conditions are easy and local flour prices are unchanged. Sugar, coffee and all other grocery staples are moving quietly, the holiday rush being now over in the wholesale market. It has been a splendid season, and large quantities of goods have been sold, including heavy trade in fancy grades.

Cereals are moving freely and the number of varieties multiplies, new brands frequently making their appearance, the difference between them being so trifling as to make so much difference to the consumer that there is enough with all kinds to purchase intelligently. Prices do not change much, active demand keeping the market steady.

Canned Goods May Advance.

Eastern advices on the canned goods question are to the effect that there is a remarkably small percentage of stocks unsold for so early in the winter, and on corn, tomatoes, string beans and several other lines of minor importance, there is reason to expect advances after the first of the year. Primary tomato markets have developed some strength, and increased inquiry for these goods is noted.

In the fruit and produce market there is little of importance occurring at the moment. Stocks in the various lines seem to be large enough to take care of demand and quotations are held steady. Retailers are not paying much attention to potatoes and other staples just now, confining their buying principally to more seasonable lines, and the latter move out with much regularity as to keep jobbers from noticing any specific rush, and yet the volume of business being done is large. Celery and lettuce have not changed in price, and cranberries are just as they were a week ago. String beans, tomatoes and the vegetable lines have some call all the time, but have been lost sight of to some extent in the more active purchase of Christmas supplies.

Christmas Greens Sold Up.

The market is cleaning up well on trees, holly and other greens, which have had enormous sale. It is not likely there will be any supplies worth mentioning left on the hands of dealers so rapid has been the buying this week.

Of course the greatest amount of interest is centering in the turkey question, and present indications point toward a shortage. Dealers say there are not one-third enough turkeys for the demand, and are predicting all sorts of prices as possible for today. Yesterday the range for dressed was from 12 to 25 cents, with no sales heard of above the latter figure. Purchasers were taking hold eagerly, however, and it may be that there will be some sales at prices above the quoted range. All other descriptions of poultry remain unchanged.

Butter is steady at old prices, and cheese is unchanged. Egg quotations remain the same as those of yesterday morning, but the market is distinctly firmer, select fresh cars now commanding top figures.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 24 cars hay, 2 cars rye, 1 car feed, 6 cars corn, 2 cars straw, 2 cars corn and oats, 2 cars oats; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, 3 cars hay; Pittsburgh & Western railroad, 14 cars hay, 1 car hay and straw, 1 car oats, 1 car feed; total receipts, 61 cars.

No. 1 tim..$16.50@17.00 | No. 2 mix..51@52c
Do No. 2..$15.00@16.00 | Do No. 2 mix..51@52c
No. 1 clov..$13.50@14.00 | Rye.....
Do mixed..$14.50@15.00 | Michigan .....50@60c
Loose, from wagon ..$16.00@17.00 | Oats, No. 2 white .....37½@38c
Straw, car lots..$8.00@8.50 | Do extra No. 2 .....36½@37c
Do wheat..$9.00@9.50 | Do mixed .....35½@36c
Do rye..$10.00@10.50 | Do reg. 38.....35½@36c
Corn, new No. 2 yellow shell..50@54c | White mid'ds, No. 2, ton $18.50@19.00
Do No. 2 mix..51@52c | Brown mid'ds, ton .....$17.50@18.00
Do No. 2 new, yellow ear.....55@56c | Bran, ton..$17.00@17.50

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, Kings, bbl .....$1.00@1.50
Baldwins .....$2.50@3.00
do, greenings and pippins .$1.50@2.00
Pears, Kiefer, bbls .....$2.50@3.00
Cranberries, Cape Cod, fcy..$2.75@3.00
do, choice..$2.50@2.75
do, bbls...$8.50@11.00
do, Jersey..$2.75@3.00
Cal. Strawberries, pint .....50@60c

ALL GRAIN LOWER IN CHICAGO MARKET

Dullness Prevails in All Pits in Anticipation of Two Holidays.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Wheat ruled exceedingly dull and the greater part of the business was done by local traders, outside orders being very light. There was a little firmness at the start influenced by the higher Liverpool cables and the smaller receipts in the northwest, but later in the day the market weakened on lack of trade and the close was easy. Primary receipts were 636,000 bushels. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 321 cars, which, with local receipts of 96 cars—with only 1 of contract grade—made total receipts for the three points of 417 cars, against 653 cars last week.

Corn was steady early on cables and the poor showing of the grading, but, the inactivity of the market had a weakening effect and the latter part of the session witnessed an easier tone to the situation, the close being a trifle lower. Local receipts, 562 cars, with only 7 of contract grade.

Oats ruled comparatively firm and the trading was of a more pronounced character than in the other grains, but the volume of business on the whole was not large. The market received fair support from commission houses who bought quite freely, but the late weakness in corn and wheat had a depressing effect and the close was steady. Local receipts were 331 cars.

Provisions were firm at the outset on higher prices for hogs at the yards, and covering by shorts early in the day added still further to the advance. Later in the session there was considerable realizing, which resulted in a reaction and the close was about steady.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 60 cars; corn, 245 cars; oats, 110 cars; hogs, 32,000 head.

There will be no session of the board of trade tomorrow or Thursday.

The leading futures as corrected by John D. Armstrong & Co., 209 Sixth street, members of Chicago board of trade:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'r day's Close.
WHEAT					
No. 2					
Dec	74⅝	76	74⅛	74⅝	74⅞
May	71⅞	73⅛	71⅞	72⅞	73⅛
July	74¼	74⅝	74	74⅛	74⅛
CORN.					
No. 2.					
Dec.	45⅛	45⅛	45	45⅛	45⅜
May	44½	45⅛	44⅜	44⅞	45⅛
July		43⅝	43⅛	43⅝	43⅝
OATS.					
No. 2.					
Dec. n	32	32	31⅝	31⅝	32
May	33⅜	33⅝	33¼	33⅝	33⅝
MESS PORK.					
Jan.	16 67½	16 70	16 60	16 60	16 65
May	16 20	16 30	16 17½	16 20	16 15
LARD.					
Dec.	10 27½	10 27½	10 17½	10 17½	10 25
Jan.	9 97½	9 90	9 87½	9 87½	9 90
May	9 37½	9 47½	9 37½	9 42½	9 37½
SHORT RIBS.					
Jan.	8 50	8 50	8 45	8 45	8 47½
May	8 57½	8 62½	8 57½	8 60	8 57½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, steady. No. 3 spring wheat, 75c; No. 2, 72c. No. 2 red, 74½@75c. No. 2 corn, 45¼c; No. 2 yellow, 45¼c. No. 2 oats, 31½c; No. 2 white, 32½c. No. 2 rye, 48¼c. Good feeding barley, 36@42c; fair to choice malting, 45@56c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 16; No. 1 northwestern, $1 24. Prime timothy seed, $3 75. Mess pork, per bbl., $17 60. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10 15@10 20. Short ribs sides (loose), $ 37½@8 62½; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 8 25@8 50; short clear sides (boxed), $8 75@ 8 87½. Whisky, basis of high wines, $1 31. Clover, contract grade, $10 85.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	18,400	29,100
Wheat, bushels	74,400	22,900
Corn, bushels	374,400	19,700
Oats, bushels	362,500	205,800
Rye, bushels	15,300	3,000
Barley, bushels	151,400	28,200

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Flour—Receipts, 49,150 bbls; exports, 11,978 bbls; dull but steady. Rye flour steady. Buckwheat flour quiet. Cornmeal quiet. Rye steady. No. 2 western, 59c f o b afloat. Barley dull. Wheat—Receipts, 235,025 bu; exports, 50,275 bu; spot steady. No 2 red, 84¼c elevator; No. 2 red, 79⅞c f o b afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 83⅛c f o b afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 87½c f o b afloat. Options had a firm tone early on continued bullish Argentine news, small northwestern receipts and higher cables, but closed heavy, dull, lower and the late market was easy except on December, which shorts ran on to ⅝c net advance against the July, 78⅝@78¾c, closed 78⅝c. December closed 84¼c. Corn—Receipts, 39,000 bu; exports, 48,640 bu; spot steady; No. 2, 62c elevator and 57¼c afloat; No. 2 yellow, 58½c; No. 2 white, 60c. Options opened steady, with wheat, but eventually yielded to the big interior receipts, easier cables and unloading, closing partly 1¼c off, nearest December, which was ⅝c net higher. January, 55⅜@56c, closed 55⅛c; March closed 50¾c; May, 48⅝@48¾c, closed 48¼c; December, 60@60¼c, closed 60¼c. Oats—Receipts, 76,000 bu; exports, 2,037 bbls. Wheat very dull; spot and December, 75⅜@76c; January, 16½@76⅝c; February, 77½c; May, 80@80¼c; steamer No. 2 red, 70½@ 70¾c; receipts, 3,486 bu; southern by sample, 67½@76c; southern on grade, 72⅛@76c. Corn dull; spot and December, 52¼c; year, 51¼@51⅝c; January, 49¾@50c. February, 49¼@ 49½c; March 48⅝c asked; May, 47¼c; steamer mixed, 49½@49⅝c; receipts, 138,061 bu; exports, 138,142 bu; southern white and yellow corn, 49@49½c; southern white and yellow, 49½@51c; receipts, 6,341 bu.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 23.—Wheat dull and steady; cash and December, 78c; May, 81c. Corn dull and lower; December, 45c; May, 43c. Oats dull and steady; December, 34½c; May, 34¼c. Rye—No. 2, 52½c. Seed dull and steady; December, $4 67½; January, 5 02; March, $4 82½; prime timothy, $1 80; prime Alsike, $8 50.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 23.—Wheat steady; close: No. 1 northern, 77@77½c; No. 2 northern, 75½@76c; May, 77½c. Rye steady; No. 1, 51½c. Barley steady; standard, 56c; sample, 40@56c. Corn, May, 43¼c. Wednesday and Thursday will be holidays on the board.

DULUTH, MINN., Dec. 23.—Close: Wheat, cash, No. 1 hard, 74¼c; No. 1 northern, 73¼c; No. 2 northern, 71¼c; December, 72¼c; May, 76¼@76¾c. Mncaroni: No. 1, 65¼c; No. 2, 63¼c. Flax: December, 31½c; May, 35½c. Wednesday and Thursday holidays.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Close: Wheat, No. 2 red, cash, nominal; July, 72½c; No. 2 hard, 69@72½c. Corn, No. 2 cash, 44½c; December, 44¼c; bid; May, 39¾@39¾c. Oats, No. cash, 32½c; December, 32c bid; May, 33¼c; No. 2 white, 35c.

MOVEMENTS IN TRADE.

DOVER, DEL., Dec. 23.—A certificate of incorporation was filed here today for the Alta Idaho Gold and Copper Mining Company of Bloomsburg, Pa.; capital stock, $1,000,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The members of the coffee exchange today voted to close the exchange on December 26. The produce exchange will be closed tomorrow. All exchanges will be closed on December 25.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The directors of the Atlantic Trust Company today decided to accept the terms of the Metropolitan Trust Company for the absorption of the Atlantic by the Metropolitan Company. Drayton Ives, president of the Metropolitan, will continue in that capacity.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—New York and Chicago capitalists are said to have joined forces to launch in Chicago one of the most colossal traction ventures the city has known. The scheme is for an underground railroad combined with a new elevated railroad, the cost of the entire project to be from $51,000,000 to $55,000,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—John L. McLean, head of the brokerage firm of J. L. McLean & Co., was expelled from the Consolidated exchange today. The charge against him was that he had been guilty of actions detrimental to the welfare of the exchange. Hill partner, Charles W. Frost, was suspended for one year for an alleged similar offense.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The directors of the Central railroad of New Jersey elected W. G. Besler vice president of the company today. Mr. Besler then appointed T. B. Kemp, who has been general freight agent of the road, to be freight traffic manager. Mr. Besler has been general manager of the road and he will continue to hold that position.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., Dec. 23.—A charter was issued today to the Kansas City & Rock Island Railway Company of Kansas City; capital stock $1,000,000. The road is to extend from Kansas City to Strasburg, in Cass county, 40 miles, and is to be the Kansas City entrance of the St. Louis-Kansas City line now building westward from St. Louis.

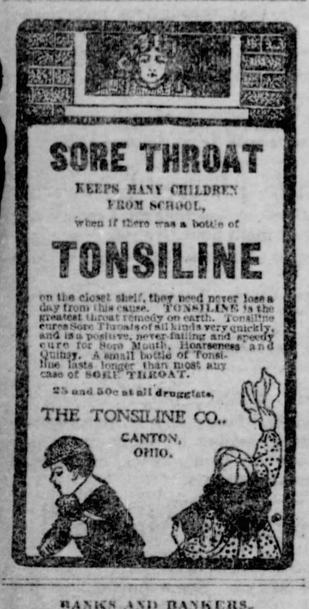
Bonds Better Than Stocks.

Speculation in stocks is uncertain. Investment in first-class bonds is safe. The latter are for sale at the bond department of the Colonial Trust Co., 317 Fourth avenue. A. C. Thompson, Manager. No commission charged buyers.

State Charters Issued.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 23. — Charters were issued by the state department today to the following corporations: Thomas McNally Company, Pittsburgh, capital $200,000; Grier-Bush Company, Pittsburgh, $50,000; Rusknuff Lumber Company, Pittsburgh, $75,000.

BANKS AND BANKERS.



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Capital Stock $1,500,000
Authorized Bond Issue 1,100,000
ESTIMATED EARNINGS & EXPENSES
Gross Earnings $185,000
Operating Expenses 95,000
Net Earnings ..... $ 90,000
Interest on $1,100,000 Bonds 55,000
Surplus ..... $ 35,000
REPORT OF EXPERTS
Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 1st, 1902.
To Pittsburgh & Allegheny Valley Railway Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.:
Gentlemen: In accordance with your instructions, I have examined the properties owned and controlled by you, as follows: Apollo Electric Light, Heat & Power Co., Leechburg Electric Light & Power Co., New Kensington Electric Light, Heat & Power Co., Parnassus Electric Light & Power Co. These companies own all of the lighting franchises in Apollo, Leechburg, New Kensington and Parnassus, and their gross earnings for the month of October, 1902, was $1,888.36, or at the rate of $22,660 per annum. The Railway starts at Apollo, 42 miles from Pittsburgh by rail, and following the Kiskiminetas river, serves the towns of Vandergrift, Hyde Park and Leechburg; thence cutting across country in a straight line, with easy grades, to the Allegheny river at Valley Camp, and then through Arnold and New Kensington to Parnassus, a total distance of 20 miles. This is 5 miles shorter than the present steam railway. Arnold has a train service of eighteen trains each way per day, every train on the Allegheny Valley Railway stopping there, while the towns in the Kiskiminetas valley have an uncertain service of about six trains each way per week day and only two on Sundays. At New Kensington the line will meet the Tarentum Traction Passenger Railway Co., running through Tarentum and other towns to Natrona, with a population of at least 10,000 more. The construction of six miles more would connect New Kensington with the Pittsburgh Railways Co., at Oakmont, giving a continuous trolley service to Pittsburgh. The territory served by this system is having a remarkable growth: during the ten years from 1890 to 1900 the population increased at the enormous rate of 425 per cent, while the state as a whole shows a gain of but 20 per cent. The present population of this territory is at least 40,000, with probably 10,000 more directly contributary. All these towns are closely connected by manufacturing and business interests, and the tendency to travel between is very great. The Sheet Steel Mills at Vandergrift are the largest in the world, and since their construction have never been idle on account of strikes or any other cause. The specifications show the road to be constructed in a first-class manner, using 70-pound rails, steel bridges, fire-proof buildings, long interurban cars and the latest improved machinery, and everything regarding both material and workmanship to be of the best class. I have made a very careful study of the territory served by your company, and after comparing it with similar territory in the Pittsburgh district now served by trolley roads, I do not hesitate to say your income, after paying all operating expenses, taxes, insurance, etc., should be not less than $90,000 per year. I consider this territory has a great future before it, and a steady and rapid growth may be expected, which will y

SAYS STATEMENTS ARE FALSE AND MISLEADING

Stockholder in Knoxville Land and Improvement Company Alleges the Business Is Being Mismanaged--Secures Mandamus Writ.

An alternative writ of mandamus was granted yesterday upon the petition of James P. Welsh against the Knoxville Land Improvement Company, James F. Grimes, general manager and treasurer, and Francis Rawle, president, to show cause why he is denied access to the books of the company.

Welsh states that he owns 200 shares of stock in the company, that the business of the corporation is being mismanaged, and that the statements issued by it from time to time are false and misleading. It is claimed the company on March 30, 1901, issued a statement showing a net surplus of $827,135 16, and in October, following, issued one showing a net surplus of $800,086 21, but that there was no loss shown or claimed.

The petitioner alleges that this was explained by the general manager, who wrote that the changes were made to meet the views of an expert accountant who had certified to the last statement. Under date of March 31, 1902, it is stated, a third statement was issued, which showed a net surplus of $868,632 02. It is alleged that a net surplus of $963,600 47 should have been shown.

Welsh claims he was promised an explanation of the alleged discrepancy by the general manager and president, but that none was furnished, and on September 29, 1902, he made a demand on the officers for an opportunity to examine the books. He said he examined them for one day, and when he returned the next day he received notice that further examination would not be allowed.

ONE BROTHER GUILTY.

Shoved Truck Under Train Because Freight Delayed Their Journey Home, and Wreck Followed.

In criminal court yesterday J. Wesley Johnston was acquitted and his brother, William Johnston, who was indicted jointly with him, was convicted of malicious mischief in shoving a trunk truck under a freight train at Oliver station, on the P., V. & C. railroad.

Attorney George W. Brawner represented the defendants, while Assistant District Attorney John S. Robb, Jr., conducted the prosecution. The Johnston brothers reside at Duquesne, and on October 11 last, it was testified by two small children, they were returning from Kennywood park about 11 o'clock. A freight train blocked the track on their way home, and, becoming indignant, they shoved a trunk truck under one of the cars. A small-sized wreck followed in which several railroad employes were thrown from the train. One car was partially derailed and a section of a stone wall torn away. Both Johnstons attempted to prove an alibi and that they were not together on the night the act was committed.

Thomas B. Smith, who pleaded guilty to embezzling $638 41 from the Penn avenue sub-postoffice funds, was sentenced to the workhouse for 18 months.

Others who pleaded guilty were: Harry Berry, felonious assault and battery in stabbing Chris Wolf in the neck with a knife at Claremont; Frank D. Morris, embezzlement of $200 from W. L. Bond, Jr., by whom he was employed as an agent; Harvey Griffin, larceny of an overcoat from Matthew Lylch; Edward Klein, misdemeanor; Thomas Garber and Samuel Lungo, larceny of two coats, the former returned to Morganza and Lungo sent to jail for 60 days.

The convictions were: Edward Glancola, larceny of $20 from Joseph Scansa; George Easton, unlawful wounding, cutting William Hogans on the hip with a knife; Lottie Turner, larceny of a hand satchel and some other articles valued at $40 from M. A. Carroll.

Judge Shafer ordered quashed the indictment charging Lucy Haley with the larceny of seven yards of carpet from M. J. Madigan.

The present panel of jurors was discharged and there will be no jury trials in criminal court during the remainder of the year. The grand jury was dismissed subject to call.

BARR CLAIM ALLOWED.

Judge Hawkins Gives Widow Part of Crawford Robinson's Estate for Long Services as Testator.

Under a decision handed down yesterday by Judge W. G. Hawkins, in orphans court, Mrs. Nellie Barr will receive part of the estate of Crawford Robinson, who was an aged bachelor. The decedent boarded at Mrs. Barr's house for 21 years and the claim was presented for nursing, boarding and caring for him during that period.

The question was whether the statute of limitation could be pleaded after decree. A decree was made without any objection on account of the lapse of time, but after it was sought to interpose on a plea of the statute of limitation by means of an exception to the decree.

During all of the time Robinson was at the Barr house he was in poor health and needed daily attention. It was shown by the evidence that when it was feared Mrs. Barr would lose her home Robinson said that "they would not be destitute, as he had attended to that in his will," which he did not, however. Robinson for years was engaged to one of Mrs. Barr's daughters, and on one occasion, the evidence shows, he showed his fiancee a will in which he had made a liberal provision for her.

The court says it is a general principle at law that all statute of limitation to be effectual must be pleaded. They may be waived by the persons for whose benefit they are made and unless pleaded the plaintiff has a right to presume a waiver and come to trial unprepared with evidence to meet such defense. The reason of the rule is as applicable to audits as to suits at law. The court further says that the plea of the statute of limitation raises an issue which claimants have a right to answer. The presumption of waiver dispenses with the production of proof or rebut, and when, therefore, the court has entered its decree there is an end of controversy and the statute is tolled. The plea filed in this case, therefore, came too late, the court concludes.

Under the decree made the exceptions to Mrs. Barr's claim is dismissed and she is awarded $7,204, of which $5,100 is to be credited to a mortgage. The original claim was for $12,582.

FARRELL IN TROUBLE.

Laundryman Sues Frick Building Officer for $2,000 Damages.

Charles Dittler yesterday entered suit against Patrick Farrell, an officer at the Frick building, for $2,000 damages for alleged false arrest on a charge of disorderly conduct.

The plaintiff alleges that the real reason of his arrest was that he stopped his laundry wagon in front of the Frick building, and because he, the plaintiff, asked the defendant what right he had to move it. The plaintiff alleges the defendant falsely swore at the hearing and that he was fined $1 and costs, after which the court reversed this judgment.

DRUG COMPANY SUES.

Alleges Four Druggists Are Selling Patented Article Without Permission.

Bills of complaint were filed in the United States circuit court by the Farbenfabriken Company of Elberfeld against Abner C. Anderson of North avenue and Federal street, Allegheny; Hugh J. O'Donnell of Homestead, David H. Iralle of New Kensington, John J. Walker of Braddock and Alva L. Chapman of Tarentum. The defendants are druggists, and it is alleged they are selling, without permission of the complainant company, a patented article known as phenacitin. The bill asks for a restraining injunction against the defendants and an award of damages for past sales.

Michael H. Book of Lawrence county filed a petition in bankruptcy, placing his debts as $1,610.28 and assets as $60. He filed a petition in 1897, but has never been discharged from his debts, and he asks that he be relieved of his debts in each case.

Wants Receiver for Dabbs.

U. P. J. Yost and Mary S. McMillen filed a bill in equity against Frank H. and B. L. H. Dabbs, asking for the appointment of a receiver for B. L. H. Dabbs & Co., photographers. The plaintiffs state that they are partners in the business under an agreement entered into January 1, 1902. It is set forth that on July 29, 1902, the defendants notified the plaintiffs that they would not be recognized as partners, and that they were ejected from the place of business, after which the Dabbs' locked and bolted the doors. It is alleged that the defendants have collected $4,000 or more, and refuse and neglect to render an accounting.

Water Company Sale Postponed.

The Fidelity Title and Trust Company went into common pleas court No. 2, yesterday, and obtained an order postponing the public sale of the Bennett Water Company's property and franchises in Millvale, because of the financial stringency. The court postponed the sale until January 27. The order also eliminated as an asset of the water company its claim against Millvale for $40,000. People would not bid for the property because of the uncertainty as to the collection of the debt from the borough.

New Suits Entered.

The following new suits were entered yesterday:

COMMON PLEAS NO. 1.

Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Action.
John S. Colvin	National Pure Food Co.	Assp.
Mary Warcuffallen	Mrs. P. E. Tripp et al.	Tres.
D. Y. Adit Company	George Clare et al.	Ap.
Airbrake Building and Loan association		
Edmond Bishop Jr.	Sci. fa. mtge.	
Mrs. L. E. Moore	Summons, Decorating Co.	Ap.
P. Reisick	M. E. Block	Ap.
W. E. Reed	J. W. Hill	Ap.
Paul Vomeck	J. D. Lenkard	Rep.
Charles Dittler	Patrick Farrell	Cap. tres.
N. P. Yost et al.	Frank H Dabbs et al.	Equity

COMMON PLEAS NO. 2.

B. F. Smith	Josiah Jones	Ap.
George W. Thompson	R. H. Latimore et al.	Equity
Joseph Keeling et al.	W. J. Harvey	Equity
Alexander Gordon	James Roman	Ap
Charles G. Morford	Monongahela Light Co.	Tres.
Allen T. Shoomaker	Timothy Parrett Jr., et al.	Rep.
Trinidad Asphalt Manufacturing Co.	Wm. McMillen et al.	Assp.
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, ex rel.	City of Pittsburgh et al.	Equity
Huffmann & Mallissee	American Reduction Co.	Ap.
Pennsylvania Railroad Company	J. E. Patterson	Ap.

COMMON PLEAS NO. 3.

William H. Jack	Catherine Carr.	Sci. fa. M. L.

Today's Trial List.

Common pleas No. 1—Equity trial list.
Common pleas No. 2—Goldstein vs. Borough of Duquesne.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Decrees in distribution were: Catherine Harr, $2,758 13; Andrew L. Reineman, $1,576 78.

Charles T. Moreford entered suit against the Monongahela Light Company for damages for injuries received by falling from a pole.

Demurrers were filed in the case of the Knob Coal Company against the McKinley Coal Company, an action to recover possession of stock.

The will of Attorney Lorin McMullen was filed. An estate worth $10,000 goes to his wife. Attorney C. C. Dickey, spoken of as "the true and trusted friend," is made executor of the estate.

By the will of Frederick Lang of Allegheny, an estate the value of which is not given, with the exception of certain stocks, goes to the decedent's wife. The stock mentioned goes to his children.

Judge Elliott Rogers entered judgment of ouster against Dr. Ira N. Fix as burgess of East Pittsburgh. He is assistant postmaster and it was claimed the holding of both offices was illegal.

An inventory and appraisement of the estate of James M. Fahnestock was filed. It shows personal property worth $31,450 90, which does not include the decedent's interest in Fahnestock & Co., and several notes.

In common pleas court No. 2 the jury in the case of Alexander C. Latimer and Robert Latshaw against Mary D. Watson disagreed and was discharged. The suit was on a promissory note which it was alleged, had been given under a misapprehension.

The will of Henry M. Pierce, who recently died at a private hospital, was filed. It was evidently written immediately before the decedent was taken to the institution, as it was on a memorandum book and read as follows: "I want my wife, Local J., to have all of my estate if I don't come home from the hospital." The estate is worth $5,500.

Arguments were made on the motion for a new trial in the case of James McNeil Bro. Company against the Crucible Steel Company. The plaintiff secured a verdict of $46,675 for damages caused by a boiler explosion in Park Bros. mill. Defendant's say suit should have been brought against the Park Steel Company, and that W. B. Rodgers, counsel for the plaintiff, in his address to the jury, unlawfully injected remarks about trusts.

By the will of Edwin S. Little, a small estate is left to near relatives. Barbara Wettach of Allegheny left a $2,400 estate to her children. Elizabeth White of Moon township bequeathed a $2,000 estate to her husband. William Brown left a $2,800 estate to his wife. Samuel C. Waltenbaugh of East Deer township, by his will, gives a $5,511 estate to his wife. The will of Eleanor Thompson of Coraopolis gives an $18,000 estate to the children of a sister of the decedent.

Fortune in a Wagon Wheel.

FAYETTEVILLE, W. VA., Dec. 23.—While setting out some apple trees David H. Dix, a well-known farmer residing near Victor, this county, found an old locust wagon hub in which was $10,000 in gold and silver. The wagon hub was about 18 inches below the surface of the ground and was in a fairly good state of preservation. Mr. Dix lives on a farm which was once the site of Woodville, the first county seat of Fayette county.

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SUIT TO STOP PEST HOUSE CONTRACTS

Citizens Finally Take Action to Keep Municipal Hospital Out of Thirteenth Ward.

The much talked of equity proceeding to prevent the erection of the new municipal hospital, or pest house, in the Thirteenth ward, was entered yesterday in common pleas court No. 2 by Attorneys J. S. and E. G. Ferguson and S. A. Will in behalf of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The bill is signed by Attorney General John P. Elkin. The defendants are the city of Pittsburgh and Kerr & Fox, contractors.

The bill sets forth that the city is the owner of property at Ridge, Watt and Francis streets; that the contractors, Kerr & Fox, were awarded the contract for the erection of the pest house, and that they have already broken ground. It is alleged that the contract was let in the face of a notice, given in writing, that the proposed action was illegal.

It is further stated that the district in which the proposed hospital is to be erected and maintained is a built-up portion of the city, occupied principally by residences, with school houses in the vicinity, where many children daily attend. It is also claimed that the selection of this location is in violation of the act of April 20, 1899, relating to the erection of hospitals.

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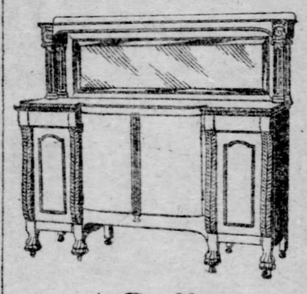

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Youngst'n & Cleveld Mail	* 8:25 am	* 5:10 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	† 8:20 am	† 3:05 pm
Lake Chautauqua Fast Line	*12:50 pm	* 6:30 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	† 4:20 pm	† 6:05 am
Cleveland & Chicago Ex.	* 2:30 pm	* 1:00 am
Boston Special	* 4:20 pm	* 9:05 am
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	§ 6:00 pm	§11:15 am
Buffalo & Cleveland Ex.	*10:30 pm	* 6:05 am
Cland & Youngs'n Accom.	† 5:25 am	† 9:00 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 6:30 am	† 8:35 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	9:00 am	† 6:45 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	†12:10 pm	† 9:30 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 3:20 pm	†12:30 pm
New Castle Express	† 4:20 pm	† 7:30 am
Beaver Valley Express	† 5:25 pm	† 4:15 pm
Fayette City Accom.	† 6:10 am	† 7:20 am
Fayette City & N. Haven Ex.	† 8:00 am	† 8:00 am
McKeesp't & Fayette City	†11:50 am	†12:40 pm
Fayette City & N. Haven	† 3:30 pm	† 4:30 pm
Fayette City Express	† 5:20 pm	† 5:40 pm

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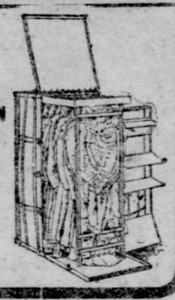

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Indianapolis and St. Louis	* 4:50 am	* 5:20 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 4:50 am	*10:35 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:20 am	† 8:40 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:20 am	† 5:00 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 5:20 am	† 1:15 pm
Alliance and Wooster	† 5:40 am	†11:30 pm
Jamestown & Youngstown	† 6:30 am	† 1:20 pm
Ohio Valley Express	† 7:45 am	† 8:35 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 7:00 am	* 5:30 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 7:00 am	* 5:50 am
Tiffin and Toledo	† 7:00 am	† 5:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 7:30 am	† 4:55 pm
E. Liverpool and Bellaire	† 7:30 am	† 6:55 pm
Cleveland Fast Line	* 8:00 am	* 7:40 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8:00 am	* 5:40 pm
Erie, Meadville and Oil City	* 8:05 am	*10:35 am
N. Castle and Jamestown	* 8:05 am	* 5:50 pm
Youngstown & Ashtabula	* 8:05 am	† 5:30 pm
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N. Castle and Ashtabula	†12:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 1:25 pm	† 7:20 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Alliance and Crestline	* 1:35 pm	*12:50 pm
New Castle and Erie	† 4:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Youngstown and Niles	† 4:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Mercer and Oil City	† 4:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 4:40 pm	† 7:25 pm
Cleveland Special	* 5:00 pm	*11:30 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:10 pm	† 9:10 am
N. Castle and Jamestown	† 5:25 pm	† 9:05 am
Chicago Special	* 6:30 pm	* 7:45 am
Chicago Limited	* 8:15 pm	* 8:00 am
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8:15 pm	* 7:35 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis	* 8:15 pm	* 8:17 pm
Indianap., Louis & St. L.	* 8:15 pm	* 6:20 am
Toledo and Detroit	* 8:15 pm	* 5:50 am
Penna. (Special) Chicago	*10:10 pm	*10:20 pm
Beaver Falls & N. Castle	†10:20 pm	† 8:30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	*11:00 pm	* 5:40 am

Leave for Washington, Pa., †6:00 am, †7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:45 am, †1:00 pm, †3:10 pm, †4:10 pm, †5:15 pm, 11:30 pm, †10:20 pm.

Leave for Wheeling, †6:45 am, †8:20 am, †11:50 am, 12:30 pm, †3:15 pm, †4:00 pm.

Leave for Steubenville, †6:40 am, 8:25 am, 12:30 pm, †4:10 pm, †10:35 pm, †11:35 am.

Leave for Dennison, †5:40 am, 12:30 pm.

Leave for Leighton for Salem and Alliance, 12:25 pm.

*Every day. †Week days only. ‡Sundays only.

Time tables, tickets and sleeping car space may be obtained at 380 Fifth avenue, corner Smithfield street; at Union station, Pittsburgh, and at Fort Wayne station, Allegheny.

G. L. PECK, General Manager. A. A. FORD, General Passenger Agent.

BESSEMER & LAKE ERIE R. R.

Schedule in effect Nov. 23, 1902. Trains leave E. & O. depot, Allegheny (Eastern Standard time). For Erie, Girard, Conneaut, Ashtabula, Geneva, 7:00 a. m. and 1:15 p. m.; Greenville, Mercer, Grove City and Keister, 7:35 a. m., 1:15 p. m. and 3:15 p. m. All trains daily except Sunday.

E. D. COMSTOCK, G. P. A., Pittsburgh, Pa.

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

From Union Station, Pittsburgh.

In effect October 5, 1902. Eastern Standard Time.

FOR PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK, BALTIMORE AND WASHINGTON.

Atlantic Express, daily	3:00 a. m.
Pennsylvania Limited, daily	7:15 a. m.
Day Express, daily	7:30 a. m.
Main Line Express, daily	8:00 a. m.
Harrisburg Mail, daily	12:45 p. m.
Harrisburg Express, daily	4:40 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily	4:50 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily	7:10 p. m.
Fast Line, daily	9:00 p. m.

"Pittsburgh Limited," daily, for New York, Baltimore and Washington, only parlor and sleeping cars. 10:00 a. m.

The Pennsylvania Special, daily, for Philadelphia and New York.. 11:25 p. m.

Philadelphia Mail, Sunday only... 8:40 a. m.

For Buffalo and Niagara Falls, 9 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. daily.

For Oil City, 9:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30, 5:05 and 10:45 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m., 5:05 and 10:45 p. m.

For Titusville and Corry, 6:15, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m.

For Titusville only, 1:30 p. m. week-days.

For Du Bois, 9:15, 9:00 a. m. and 1:30 and 5:05 p. m., week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 5:05 p. m.

For Atlantic City (via Delaware River Bridge, all-rail route), 8:00 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily.

For Connellsville and Uniontown, 5:10, 8:25 a. m., 12:45 and 4:20 p. m. week-days.

For West Brownsville and Monongahela City, 8:00, 8:30, 10:25 a. m., 1:05, 4:20, 5:25, 6:20 and 11:35 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 8:55 a. m., 1:05, 5:00 and 9:50 p. m.

West Elizabeth and Dravosburg only, 8:29 p. m. week days.

FROM ALLEGHENY CITY.

For Butler, 6:33, 8:23, 10:33 a. m., 3:03 and 6:13 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 7:03 a. m., 9:33 p. m.

The Excelsior Baggage Express Company will call for and check baggage from hotels and residences. Time cards and full information can be obtained at the ticket offices—No. 639 Fifth avenue, corner Fourth avenue and Try street, and Union Station.

J. R. HUTCHINSON, General Manager. J. R. WOOD, Gen'l Pass'r Agent.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 575.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the construction and erection of two (2) iron tanks with a capacity of two hundred thousand (200,000) gallons each, together with the necessary foundations, to be erected on Green Tree hill, Fifteenth ward.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the construction of a lateral sewer on Schimmer street, Eleventh ward, from William street to Brighton road, is hereby authorized and ordered, and the director of the department of public works is hereby instructed to prepare specifications therefor, and the city recorder and the said director are authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work in accordance with such specifications, and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided. The cost and expenses thereof to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of "water extension bonds," authorized by councils on November 26, 1901.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE, President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY, President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILLWORTH, City Clerk.

City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY, City Recorder.

(No. 590.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and ordering the construction of a lateral sewer on Schimmer street, Eleventh ward, from William street to Brighton road, and providing for assessment and collection of the cost and expense thereof.

Section 1. Be is ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the construction of a lateral sewer on Schimmer street, Eleventh ward, from William street to Brighton road, is hereby authorized and ordered, and the director of the department of public works is hereby instructed to prepare specifications therefor, and the city recorder and the said director are authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work in accordance with such specifications, and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

The cost and expenses of said improvement to be assessed and collected in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pertaining thereto and regulating the same.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE, President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY, President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILLWORTH, City Clerk.

City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY, City Recorder.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 584.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of three thousand seven hundred fifty seven ($3,757.00) dollars from Item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, to item No. 2 of said bureau, and four thousand nine hundred ($4,900.00) dollars from said Item No. 3 of said bureau to Item No. 1 of the same.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of three thousand seven hundred fifty-seven ($3,757.00) dollars from item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, to item No. 2 of appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, and the sum of four thousand nine hundred ($4,900.00) dollars from item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, to item No. 1, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE, President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY, President of Common Council.
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City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY, City Recorder.

JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Weather—Fair. Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1902.

A Hasty Clean-Up of Little Odd Lots Here and There.

Today and Tonight.

In the main our stocks, in spite of the greatest holiday trade in the history of the store, are still in the best shape—here and there, of course, there are exceptions, and in some departments, therefore, we have odd lots that we are going to clean out now at a price that means in some cases a half, others a third.

Thought you would enjoy the reductions the day before Christmas more than the day after.

These Reduced Prices

in operation today and tonight at Main Aisle Notion Counter and Toilet Counter:

$6 Toilet Sets for $3—consisting of two pretty French Glass bottles, puff box to match, all on neat tray.

Cut Glass Smokers' Sets, beautifully mounted, HALF PRICE: $5 Sets, $2.50; $8 Sets, $4; $10 Sets, $5.

Venetian Glass Pitchers on pedestal of real bronze reduced to ONE-HALF former prices.

All Cut Glass Perfume Bottles ONE-FOURTH off regular price.

Perfume Bottles in leather case—new in Pittsburg—convenient for carrying any kind of liquid. Today and tonight HALF regular price.

Traveling Flasks for both ladies and gentlemen, leather and nickel mounted—ONE-FOURTH off.

Manicure Sets in leather Cases—fine goods—HALF PRICE: $12 Sets for $6—$13.50 Sets for $6.75—$18 Sets for $9. These are all fitted with finest implements.

Filled Sewing Boxes. Choice of any left for ONE-FOURTH former prices.

Fourth Off Fine Umbrellas.

Those that began at $9 and run along to $20—especially English importations. Fine Umbrellas they are—with handles of Roman gold, amber and such silver finishes as respousse, French gray, art nouveau and colonial, besides Austrian bronze.

Women's Neckwear, Half.

All the women's Stocks which have been selling so rapidly on center table, Fifth Street cross aisle, for 50c, 75c and $1, today and tonight just half those prices.

Liberty Squares that sold for $1.50 will be sold today and tonight for a single dollar.

$1.25 Wrist Bags, $1.

Table full of them in Silverware Aisle—Black Seal, Nickel, Gun Metal and Gilt Frames. A very handsome Wrist Bag.

Christmas Cards and Booklets, 5c.

They have been selling for 8c, 10c, 15c and 20c each.

Best way is to take a dozen for 50c.

One-half for Novelties.

Hundreds of Novelties in the Art Needlework Department imported from Germany—Animal Pin Cushions—comical Pigs, Ducks, Elephants—a regular happy family—take your pick for half price.

$5 and $6 Silk Waists, $4.

A handful, that is a big hand, of blacks and colors. Several different styles. Each worth all of the first price.

Flannel Waists, $1.50.

Were $2, $2.50 and $3. An opportunity for many women to get something neat for small prices.

Any imported Waist, silk or flannel, half of former price.

A Special Word to Men.

Especially young men who have come home from their schools and colleges to enjoy the Christmas festival and the range of social functions.

Our special word relates to functional dress. We have everything that is required.

Men's Full Dress Suits, $35, $40, $45, $50.
Tuxedo Suits, $35, $38.
Tuxedo Coats, $22, $25.
Semi-Dress-Cutaway Frock Coats and Vests, $30.
Opera Topcoats, long cut, $30.
Full Dress Vests, $3, $6.
Young Men's Tuxedo Suits, $25 and $30.
Black Sack Suits, $16, $18, $22.
Long Dress Topcoats, $15 and $20.
Dress Shirts, $2, $2.50, $3 and up.
Dress Gloves, white or pearl, $1.75 and $3.
Dress Shirt Protectors, $2 and $2.50.

Special Lots of Furniture a FOURTH Less.

People who like to use Furniture for gifts can get nice prices from several lots in our Fifth floor Furniture Department today and tonight for the substantial reduction of 25 per cent.

Among the lots are

Tapestry Panels, mounted in oak frames; regular prices $3.50, $6, $8, $10 and up to $45—less 25 per cent.

Plant Tables, with tile tops, 12 inches square, $6.50 each—less 25 per cent; 16 inches square, $7—less 25 per cent; 17x26½-inch top, $12.50—less 25 per cent.

Walnut Foot Stools, covered in embroidered plush, $8—less 25 per cent.

Tripod Fern Holders, with four jardinieres, $3.50, $4.50, $6—less 25 per cent.

Waste Paper Holders, burnt and decorated wood, $3—less 25 per cent.

Weathered and green Taborets, carved, $7—less 25 per cent.

SPECIALS IN ROCKERS—$6.50 for Rockers that were $7, $7.50, $8, $8.50 and $10.

$10 for Rockers that were $11, $12, $12.50 and $14.

$15 for Rockers that were $18, $19, $20 and $21.

And don't forget about our line of Morris Chairs. They go among the gifts of comfort. $10 and a broad range of intermediary prices up to $60.

Little-Price Lots in Housefurnishing Store.

Today, in this big store of the Basement, you can choose the following for greater or less reductions as the case may be.

Silver-plated Bread Trays, fancy sterling silver shapes—HALF PRICES $1 ones for 50c, $1.50 ones for 75c, and so on.

Lot of silver-plated gold lined Sugar and Cream Sets, $1.75 each, formerly $3.50.

Japanese Tea Trays will be sold for ONE-THIRD off—all 30c and 40c ones for 25c, all 50c and 75c ones for 40c.

Lot of fancy imported Scrap Baskets, 25c, were 50c.

The entire lot of $1.50 and $1.75 Japanese Dinner Gongs, some with two, others with three chimes, choice today $1 each.

$4.50 and $5 Drop Gas Lights, complete with pink, green, red and yellow shades, with three feet of tubing, will be sold for $3.50 the outfit.

Sofa Pillows Half Price.

All the fancy Sofa Pillows in the fourth floor Upholstering Department are marked at half prices. This means that throughout today and this evening you have an opportunity of buying something handsome and only paying half that it would cost you some days ago.

$1 Sofa Pillows, 50c.
$2 Sofa Pillows, $1.
$3 Sofa Pillows, $1.50.
$5—these are the famous Toast Pillows—$2.50.

Decorative Linens Less.

You will find these in the biggest Linen Store in Pittsburg—rear of main floor, Annex.

Lot of Lace Doilies, 35c each. Former prices were 50c, 60c and 75c.

Handsome Lace Center Pieces—Cluny Lace—$2 each. Formerly $3.

Renaissance Lace Scarfs—20x45 and 20x54 inches—$2 each. Former prices $2.75 and $3.

Golf Vests, $2.

Were $2.50 and $3. Not many of them—probably enough for lively selling throughout the day and evening. Lots of Golf Vests have been bought for Christmas presents.

Genuine Black Marten Scarfs, $7.50.

Were $10 and $12.50. Some finished with 6 tails, others with 8. Choose which you fancy most.